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## Standoff sinks Old Navy, Gap

■ Regency Realty talking with potential new tenants to fill Plaza spaces; says project will open on time

By J.R. Deaton  
STAFF WRITER

EL CERRITO — There may be a gap at the Plaza, but unfortunately it won't be spelled with a capital "G."

Gap Inc., the parent company of both Gap and Old Navy stores,

will not be opening stores in the reconstructed El Cerrito Plaza as expected. Jill Keimach, the city's community development director announced last week that Plaza co-owner Regency Realty has ended negotiations to bring a Gap store, which included a Gap Kids section, and an Old Navy store into the new Plaza.

"The Gap and Old Navy have been reluctant to sign the (lease) agreement, due in large part to the recent decline in the market and the company's lower-than-

expected profit margins the last quarter," Keimach said. "Consequently Regency has ended the negotiations and is now working with other retail and restaurant owners to fill those two buildings."

Thomas Engberg, senior vice president of investments for Regency, said the loss of Gap and Old Navy will not delay the fall 2001 opening date for the reconstructed Plaza. The space

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CONSTRUCTION OF two new buildings at El Cerrito Plaza continued Tuesday. One of the two spaces was originally for Old Navy, and a Gap building was slated to be built next to it.

## El Cerrito will go native on Earth Day

By Chris Treadway  
STAFF WRITER

EL CERRITO — Participants will come away from this year's Earth Day observance on Saturday, April 28, with more than dirt under their fingernails, such as experience and knowledge about planting native gardens.

"We hope people can take what they learn on Earth Day home with them and plant their own garden," said Mersina Purlantov of the city Recycling Center.

A native garden does more than add a pleasing appearance.

### EARTH DAY

**WHEN:** Cleanup and planting April 28, 8:30 a.m. to noon, followed by barbecue at Community Center.

**WHERE:** Locations citywide. Report first to the Community Center.  
**SIGN-UP:** To volunteer call 510-525-7709 or e-mail earthday@elcerrito.ca.us. Or simply show up at the Community Center at 8:30 a.m. to find out which locations need help.

By restoring vegetation accustomed to the local climate and surroundings, it also reduces the demand on natural resources. "Many people don't realize that you don't really have to water at all in the summertime" with a native garden, Purlantov said.

Public areas all around the city, some 38 locations in all, will be going native at the 32nd observance, which adds an emphasis on planting native vegetation along with the annual citywide cleanup theme.

A native planting workshop will be held at the Community Center, where Noah Booker of Shelterbelt Builders will be on-hand to offer advice answer questions. Also available will be a two-page handout compiled by Louise Lacey of the Native Plant Society (the information is also available online at [www.growingnative.com](http://www.growingnative.com)).

There will also be a planting advisor helping volunteers at the

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Construction crews put exterior beams on the main entrance of the new Albany High School building on Tuesday.

## New Albany High taking shape

■ Move from portables to new classroom building takes place this summer, allowing time for adjustments

By Clare Curley  
STAFF WRITER

ALBANY — Students who recall watching as a wrecking ball demolished the old Albany High School, and who have been in portables since 1997, should finally have a permanent school come September.

Last Friday's icy rain temporarily halted construction at the almost complete structure. Sections of a red window frame

are beginning to appear over the entranceway, the start of what will define the entrance to the new school site.

The new school's main structure, the classroom building, is almost watertight, and the latest estimated move-in date is July 15. Due to weather conditions and minor changes to construction plans this year, the completion of the classroom building was delayed again by about a month.

Unless it changes, this leaves the latter half of the summer to move in desks, books, supplies, and sort out surplus items from the rest.

School Board Member Marsha Skinner, who has met regularly with planners over the past

year, says a summer move is ideal, as compared to the original spring break completion date.

"In my experience, getting the building finished just seems like the end," she said.

But between walk-throughs, installing computer and phone wiring and unexpected repairs, having extra transition time should be helpful, she said.

The school, which was originally constructed in the 1930s, serves 1,000 students on a 3-acre site less than 2,000 feet from the Hayward fault.

The redesign, contracted to FP Lathrop Construction, was intended to both make it more seismically sound and provide

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## Developer returns with Del Norte plan

■ The new proposal envisions a residential/commercial development next to the Del Norte BART station

By J.R. Deaton  
STAFF WRITER

EL CERRITO — A Marin-based developer would like to create a new "mixed-use neighborhood containing 264 multi-family units and 100,000 square feet of commercial area" between the Del Norte BART station and San Pablo Avenue.

Charles Owel, president of CFC Corporation of San Rafael, took what he called "the first baby steps" towards the Del Norte area project at last week's City Council meeting.

Two years ago Owel proposed a project anchored by a multi-screen cinema that was

withdrawn in the face of strong opposition from Del Norte neighbors.

Owel last week gave the council what he called a "very vague outline" of the proposed project. He said a series of workshop meetings will be held to solicit public input as part of a "highly participatory" proposal process.

Owel also presented the project outline to the city's Economic Development Board on April 5. He stressed that the plan is still in its initial phase. Julie Woepke, the city's interim economic development coordinator, said Owel hopes to begin meetings in May and have a plan available in August.

"With a location at the Del Norte BART rail station, inviting landscaped pedestrian ways, a plaza for public activities and new commercial and retail space,

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## Police think 'victim' was partner in theft

By Leslie Fulbright  
STAFF WRITER

A 19-year-old man police initially said was a victim of a carjacking by a wanted man fleeing police was actually the suspect's accomplice, investigators said Wednesday.

Police believe Ruben Trevino, 31, a parolee with a statewide warrant for his arrest on suspicion of auto theft, had asked Anthony Loaiza to meet him in the parking lot at Albertson's on San Pablo Avenue and drive a stolen BMW to an unknown location. Trevino planned to follow him in a Jaguar stolen Tuesday in San Francisco.

"We think they were going to a chop shop in Alameda County," said Lt. Russell Lopes.

Richmond officers looking for Trevino spotted him at the Terrace Motel in El Cerrito and

chased him until he pulled into the Albertson's parking lot.

Trevino jumped out of the stolen Jaguar and into the stolen BMW with Loaiza, who got out of the car and was later arrested on suspicion of car theft.

Trevino entered northbound San Pablo Avenue, where he accelerated the car at one of the pursuing officers, who was standing next to his patrol car in the street.

"The officer ordered him to halt, then fired one shot, which hit the car," said El Cerrito police Sgt. Mann, who was a few yards away.

The bullet broke the windshield near the steering wheel before Trevino headed toward Berkeley. Mann didn't know if the shot hit Trevino. The chase

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### JOURNAL MOVES TO NEW PAGE SIZE

#### TO OUR READERS:

This week the Journal is beginning the process of converting to a narrower page width.

This change reduces our consumption of newsprint and ink, which benefits the environment and offers a financial plus for Hills Newspapers — paper and ink are the company's most expensive commodities.

The Journal now presents a printed image that is smaller by one inch in width, and as we con-

vert the company's presses to the new format, the pages themselves will shrink by a little amount.

Editors have changed some design elements to ensure that the narrower pages are easier to read.

All Bay Area newspapers have or will be making this change, as have hundreds of newspapers across the nation. Most readers like the more convenient page size, and we hope you will too.

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## WORTH CHECKING OUT

## ECDC meeting

The public is invited to attend an El Cerrito Democratic Club presentation on April 24 about the implications of President George W. Bush's proposed tax cuts on local social services. It will take place at 8 p.m., following the 7:30 p.m. general business meeting of the club at the Northminster Presbyterian Church, 545 Ashbury Ave. in El Cerrito. The guest speaker will be Elliott Robinson, finance director of the Alameda County Department of Social Services.

## Great Books group

Great Books Reading Discussion Group meets from 1-2 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month at the Albany Library, 1247 Marin Ave., in the Edith Stone Room. The next meeting is April 17. The discussion will be on Jane Austen's "Emma." No charge. For more information call Lucy Fields at 510-526-8752.

## CCCT volunteers

Carpentry/construction volunteers turn raw materials into beautiful sets at Contra Costa Civic Theatre in El Cerrito. The theater is recruiting Set Construction Directors for one or more shows per year. These volunteers need some construction or home building experience, can read and explain design plans, etc. Also needed are Set Construction Workers with basic home repair skills and a willingness

to work as part of an enthusiastic team. Times are flexible. Leave a message for Theater Administrator Beth Cohen at 510-524-6654.

## Arlington Church Choir

Today at 7:30 p.m. the Arlington Church Choir will perform Schubert's Mass in G conducted by Leslie Moorjari. A small choir group from UC Berkeley will give a Bach Cantata directed by Andrew Chung. The church is located at 52 Arlington Ave., Kensington. \$5 donation.

## Preschool stories, films

The Albany Library, 1247 Marin Ave., will present a new series of stories and films for preschoolers (ages 3-5), at 11 a.m. on Saturday mornings through June 2.

## LWV meeting

The general membership annual luncheon of the League of Women Voters Richmond Area will be Tuesday April 17, at noon at the Hacienda Restaurant, 12020 San Pablo Ave. at Macdonald, Richmond. Cost is \$10. Make reservations with Louise Vogelsberg 510-233-0199. Business includes election of officers. At 1 p.m. discussion and consensus about LWV State/Local Election Systems Study.

## Funding library chairs

The El Cerrito High School Library is trying to raise money to replace its

broken chairs. The cost of one chair is \$125, and if an individual or family donates \$125, the chair will be named in their honor. However, any size donation is gratefully accepted. Checks should be made payable to: El Cerrito High School Library, and sent to: Mary Gray, PTSA Treasurer, 6802 Tahoe Place, El Cerrito, CA 94530

## El Cerrito Earth Day

El Cerrito is celebrating its 32nd Earth Day Celebration on Saturday, April 28. Over 38 parks and schools grounds will be spruced up from 8:30 till noon after which the volunteers will be given a free barbecue lunch at the El Cerrito Community Center. Special events for this year will include a Native Planting workshop and shuttles from 1 to 4 p.m. from the community center to the West County Earth Day. If you want to volunteer, contact Janet Ableson at 510-525-7709 or earthday@ci-elcerrito.ca.us.

## Creek walk

On Saturday, April 21, you can explore history and opportunities for restoration on lower Codornices and Cerrito creeks on an Earth Day walk co-sponsored by Berkeley Path Wanderers and Friends of Five Creeks. Meet at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 21, at the Boogie Woogie Bagel Boy garden, Gilman and Curtis streets. Bring water and snacks. Details: 510-848-9358 or f5creeks@aol.com.

## POLICE REPORTS

## 17 injured when van, car collide

Seventeen people were injured April 5 when a van carrying church members collided with a Honda Accord on Potrero Avenue, police said.

None of the injuries was life-threatening, said Sgt. Peter Statton.

The accident occurred at 8:40 p.m. at Potrero and San Pablo avenues. The Honda Accord was eastbound on Potrero and collided with the van while trying to turn left onto San Pablo, police said.

Police still were investigating the cause late Thursday.

Seven of the injured were taken to Doctors Medical Center San Pablo, three people were taken to Kaiser Permanente Medical Center in Richmond, and seven others were transported to a hospital in Martinez.

No names were released.

A car that was stolen in San Rafael surfaced in El Cerrito when a parolee was arrested earlier this month, police said.

Around 11:20 p.m. on April 6 during a traffic stop, El Cerrito Officer Rogelio Alvarez ran a license plate check on a car southbound on San Pablo and found it had been reported stolen to the San Rafael Police Department on April 4. According to Alvarez, a small amount of methamphetamine was also found on the driver, a 30-year-old man who was on active parole out of the department of corrections.

The suspect was arrested for car theft, possession of a controlled substance and parole violation.

A collision on April 6 caused by a drunk driver resulted in minor injuries, police said.

A 36-year-old Berkeley woman was arrested for driving under the influence around midnight near the 9800 block of San Pablo Avenue, where the accident occurred. The other driver

declined any medical treatment at the scene and was allowed to leave.

The suspect was also driving on a suspended driver's license, according to a report.

On April 4, a thief reportedly took the mail out of an open mailbox on the 800 block of Elm Street and attached it to a fence in front.

The owner, a 45-year-old man, told police the incident must have occurred between 4:30 and 10 p.m. that day.

The morning of April 5, some \$284 worth of property was stolen from a Nissan Sentra parked on the 500 block of Ashbury Avenue.

Someone reportedly punched the passenger door lock and ransacked the car, which belongs to a 22-year-old woman. The repair cost is about \$100.

Police are still investigating the apparent robbery of a house in a secluded residential hill area in El Cerrito last month.

On March 14, a house on the 8300 block of Buckingham Drive was ransacked and robbed of some \$2,255 worth of property, residents told police. Since there was no evidence of a break-in, police say someone may have entered through an open window or unlocked door. According to a report, all the bedrooms and closets were searched.

No suspect has been found.

A 44-year-old man is suspected of attempting unsuccessfully to cash a counterfeit check at the Bank of America at 10420 San Pablo shortly after noon on March 21. El Cerrito Det. Wayne Mann said the suspect fled the bank, but left his ID behind.

A 37-year-old El Cerrito man was cleared after allegedly driving while intoxicated on March 31.

The suspect, who was driving a BMW 2002, was stopped on San Pablo between Portrero and

Hill Street and cited around 11 p.m.

An Oakland man has been cleared since his February arrest for drunk driving while crashing his Ford Mustang into a telephone pole on the 700 block of Terrace Avenue.

Also arrested was the same 18-year-old man for public drunkenness. According to a report, the accident caused damage to the lawn and hedges at the scene, but no injuries were reported.

In the evening of April 4, a 35-year-old man was issued a trespass card after threatening to shoot an employee of the Erschnitzel Restaurant, at 1110 San Pablo Ave.

During an altercation, the suspect allegedly told a man he would return with a gun, and police were contacted. Since the report was made, he has not returned to the restaurant.

A 23-year-old man was placed under citizen's arrest after allegedly smashing the front glass door to McDonald's Restaurant on 11821 San Pablo Ave. the morning of April 2. The repair cost was estimated at \$200.

The night of April 2, a stereo worth \$1,715 was stolen from a BMW 318 parked behind a residence on the 5200 block of Cypress Avenue. Police believe the thief entered through an open passenger window.

The night of March 28, a brief case and gym bag worth a total of \$1,135 were stolen from a Lexus that was broken into on the 400 block of Kearney Street.

The rear window had been shattered with a flat blade screwdriver, police said, causing \$400 worth of damage.

A 28-year-old Vallejo man was given a DUI March 25 after reportedly driving 50 miles per hour while drunk down San Pablo, a 35 mph zone.

## Suspect arrested in video theft

By K. Osborn  
CORRESPONDENT

ALBANY — At about 11:30 p.m. on April 2, an anonymous caller reported that two subjects stole a video and fled, one on a bike and the other on foot on the 800 block of San Pablo Avenue. Officers contacted a 22-year-old Albany man in the area who matched the description. He was arrested for petty theft, cited and released with a Notice to Appear.

At about 3 a.m. on April 3, officers contacted two subjects at the rear of the Salvation Army store on Solano Avenue. One of the pair, a 30-year-old El Cerrito man, was found to have an outstanding warrant from the Alameda County Sheriff's office. He was arrested, cited and released with a Notice to Appear.

On the afternoon of April 3, a resident on the 900 block of Stannage Avenue reported that thieves had stolen her computer. There were no witnesses.

On the night of April 3, an Oakland man reported that during the early morning hours of March 30, thieves had stolen his silver '85 Volvo SW that was parked on the

900 block of San Pablo Avenue. There were no witnesses.

On the afternoon of April 4, a resident on the 1000 block of Peralta Avenue reported that checks had been stolen from her. There were no witnesses.

On the afternoon of April 4, a resident on the 800 block of Masonic Avenue reported that thieves had stolen his bicycle. There were no witnesses.

On the afternoon of April 4, a resident on the 1500 block of Sonoma Avenue reported that thieves had stolen the side mirror off her new silver VW Beetle. There were no witnesses.

About 11:30 p.m. on April 5, officers stopped a red '96 BMW for a vehicle code violation. The driver, a 37-year-old Walnut Creek man, was found to be intoxicated. He was arrested, cited and released with a Notice to Appear.

Shortly after noon on April 6, officers contacted a 21-year-old Hayward woman on the 1100 block of Solano and admonished her for refusing to clean up her trash. About 20 minutes later, she

was again contacted for the activity. She was arrested, cited and released with a Notice to Appear.

At about 9:30 p.m. on April 6, officers responded to the 900 block of Stannage Avenue on reports of two men arguing and a report of one of them being struck. Officers contacted the pair and found that one of them, a 26-year-old man, had punched the other man. A check found that the man had a No Bail warrant from Alameda County for burglary. He was arrested, cited and transported to the Berkeley jail.

On the afternoon of April 1, a Berkeley woman reported that thieves had stolen her gray '90 Honda Civic while it was parked near Solano and Talbot avenues. The car was unlocked and the keys visible on the center console. There were no witnesses.

On the evening of April 1, officers responded to Golden Gate Fields on reports of security having an intoxicated juvenile in custody in the club house. Officers contacted the 18-year-

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## Kensington Symphony performs April 21

The Kensington Symphony Orchestra will present its fourth concert of the season on Saturday, April 21 at 8 p.m. Gustav Mahler's Symphony No. 4 in G highlights the program. Vanessa Langer, a senior at UC Berkeley studying under David Tigner, will be the featured soloist.

A former member of the San Francisco Girls Chorus, Langer has performed with Collegium

Musicon in the Berkeley Festival and Exhibition and will be featured this spring in a Cal Opera production of "The Magic Flute."

Members of the Kensington Symphony Orchestra include local freelance musicians, music teachers, and amateurs. Concertmaster Gerardo Moreno has been both soloist and leader of orchestras and ensembles in Mexico and the United States.

The April 21 concert will be held at 8 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, 770 Sonoma Street, in the Richmond Heights district of Richmond. The church is located at the corner of Sonoma St. and Solano St., just below Arlington Avenue. Tickets can be obtained at the door for the suggested donation of \$10, \$8 for seniors and children are free.

Details: 510-251-2031.

## Focus on Tenrec Inc.

ROXANNE WILEY  
Albany Chamber

What's a tenrec? The dictionary defines it as a small mammal from Madagascar that is very adaptable to all environments. Tenrec Inc., on the other hand, is an Internet software design company which is very adaptable for all user needs.

This company has been in business for four years and operates an East Bay office right here in Albany; the other office is in San Francisco. Andrew Smith heads it up with expert technical assistance from Paola Bernazzani and Lea Anne Kjorne.

They develop custom Web sites either dynamic or interactive based on the participating businesses Web needs. Opening an office in the East Bay was initiated to develop a clientele of users who do not necessarily fit the corporate image, as in San Francisco, but who can greatly benefit from the software generated for their specific business needs.

One of their largest clients, Heller Ehrman Attorneys, just won a very prestigious award from the Legal Marketing Association for the Web site and software designed by Tenrec. They also have clients in the small business range.



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HELPING BUSINESSES develop a Web presence are Paolo Bernazzani, Lea Anne Kjorne and Andrew Smith of Tenrec.

If you are in the market for software to augment your business and access on the Internet, contact the folks at Tenrec at 558-8443, or check their Web site www.Tenrec.com.

## White Elephant Sale

It's time again for the Albany Senior's mother-of-all-sales, the huge White Elephant Sale on Saturday, April 21.

The seniors will be displaying a one of a kind; you-must-have-it doodads as well as handmade crafts. There will also be a bake sale as well to round off a perfectly lovely day. The sale starts at 9:30 a.m. and lasts until 2:30 p.m., and you had better get there early to get a jump on some great finds. (If you care to make

an "elephant" donation to the sale, the center will accept the goods through April 20.)

## Annual Spring Fair and Egg Hunt

Bring all of your children to Memorial Park on Saturday, April 14. The giant bunny rabbit will have hidden eggs for them to find, and there will be games, puppet shows and food.

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# Series brings poetry home to Albany

By Clare Curley  
STAFF WRITER

ALBANY — "When the hair stands up on the back of your neck," said Joyce Jenkins, you know you're reading a good poem.

The Berkeley poet and publisher of "Poetry Flash," a poetry review and literary calendar, addressed a small but enthusiastic gathering Tuesday at the Albany Public Library.

She read and discussed works of hers and other local poets in the second of four events celebrating National Poetry Month at the library.

Wearing a baggy green blouse, she leaned against a podium and read verses with a jazz-like cadence reminiscent of beatnik poetry. The theme was "home," and one poem was based on her own childhood in Detroit, evoking images of slow dances, warm baths and gym uniforms.

The event was part of library-

ian Julie Winkelstein's larger effort to bring more poetry into Albany. Two small grants from the American Library Association and Friends of the Albany Library are sponsoring the month-long series and will go in part to pay for participating artists.

"I thought the theme of home seemed like something very appropriate for Albany," Winkelstein noted. "People here have so many other nationalities and often have another home elsewhere."

She confessed to being in a panic over who to bring in for the April 10 reading, but picked up the phone and got lucky when Jenkins, a nationally published writer and editor, agreed to come.

Among Jenkins' lengthy accomplishments are a National Poetry Association's 1995 award, the American Book Award for Editor in 1994, and being honored in 1996 by the National Women's Political Caucus.

The bad news was that two

other scheduled readers, Russell Gonzaga and Richard Silberg, couldn't attend, making the local publisher the central focus of the evening.

"I really appreciate having poetry as a performing art," said Albany resident Eliza Sheffer, who showed up for the event. Sheffer coordinates Rhythm and Muse, which hosts open mic poetry performances at the Berkeley Art Center.

"I especially enjoyed the discussion afterwards," she said.

Jenkins answered questions ranging from the meaning of abstract poetry, to how to inspire oneself through journals and dreams, to the difference between written and spoken poetry. For example, slam is a spoken-word movement, according to Jenkins, 50 percent poem and 50 percent performance, judged Olympic style.

"I saw this as an opportunity to do some sort of programming that would bring the community

into the library," said Winkelstein, who hopes the final night will have a larger turnout.

In the first event, two MacGregor High School students got paid to present their own material in front of a mixed group of young children, teens and seniors.

Alison Sevak, an adult resident at Marin School, will lead the next workshop.

The grants were provided to promote the work of local artists, and Winkelstein latched onto the idea of poetry as something people of all ages could relate to.

On Saturday, April 21, there will be a poetry writing workshop for ages 8 and up, from 10 a.m. to noon. On Sunday, April 29, public readings of poems written by workshop participants, students and community members will take place from 1-3 p.m.

All events are in the Edith Stone Room at the Albany Library, on 1247 Marin Ave.

## Swing dance, dinner is April 28

The Albany Soroptimist and Rotary Clubs are sponsoring a swing dance and dinner extravaganza from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. on April 28 at the Veteran's Memorial Building, 1325 Portland Ave. in Albany. The event will feature a full course dinner and drinks, live big band music, dance lessons, raffle and silent auction. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$15

for seniors and children, \$60 for a four-ticket family package. All proceeds from the event are used to fund Soroptimist and Rotary community service projects.

For details call Kathy Lee at 524-6308, drop by and purchase tickets at the Albany Adult School, 601 San Gabriel Ave. at Brighton, or contact a friend who is an Albany Soroptimist or Rotarian.

## Albany Science Bowl team shines again

The Albany High School Science Bowl Team again won its regional competition in February.

Captain Alexander McCormack, Xin Lu, Bonnie Huang and James Liao (all seniors) and junior George Zhou came up against 17 other Bay Area teams last month, and will go on to represent the North Bay Region in the National Science Bowl in Washington, DC, in early May.

"This is the third year in a row for the team, with three of its members returning from last year's team," said coach Rich Lohman, a high school physics teacher.

The team will compete with some 60 other regional winners from across the country, for a stab at the grand prize — a two-week trip to science camp in Australia this summer.

## Police

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old Berkeley boy who was found to be intoxicated. He was arrested, cited and released to his father with a Notice to Appear.

■ At about 11 p.m. on April 7, officers stopped a red '90 VW Golf on the 900 block of Kains Avenue for running a red light. The driver, a 33-year-old Berkeley man, was found to be intoxicated. He failed the sobriety test and was arrested. His vehicle was towed.

■ On the afternoon of April 8, officers stopped a white '85 GMC truck for a vehicle code violation.

The driver, a 32-year-old San Francisco man, was found to have an outstanding Albany warrant for driving with a suspended license. He was arrested, cited and released with a Notice to Appear.

During the week of April 2, officers towed two vehicles, responded to seven false alarms, attended to six lost or deceased animals, and assisted four people who were locked out of their house or car. In the domestic arena, officers responded to seven civil disturbances and 92 civil assists. Officers stopped 53 cars and/or pedestrians, issuing 20 citations and 33 warnings. Fire-fighter/paramedics responded to

## EASTER EVENTS

### Albany Spring Fair

ALBANY — The Easter Bunny will be arriving at Albany Memorial Park, Portland Avenue and Romona Street, on Saturday, April 14, for a morning of fun and games at the Albany Preschool's annual Spring Fair. The Easter Bunny will ride in on a fire truck to oversee a rollicking Easter Egg Hunt at 10 a.m. sharp. The hunt will be divided by age levels so that all children can participate. Games, arts and crafts, pup-

petry, food and music will be offered all morning. Admission is free and tickets to participate in other activities will be on sale.

The fair will move to the Albany Community Center if it is raining. The event is sponsored by the Albany Preschool in association with the city Recreation and Community Services Department.

### El Cerrito Egg Hunt

EL CERRITO — The city's traditional Egg Hunt with candy and

eggs takes place Saturday at 10 a.m. at Arlington Park, 1120 Arlington Blvd.

The hunt is over quickly and kids and parents are urged to come early so they won't miss the start.

There will also be a special visit from the Bunny.

The event will be held rain or shine.

### Contest in Kensington

KENSINGTON — Celebrate springtime at the Kensington Li-

brary, 61 Arlington Ave., by counting the number of eggs in the basket before the contest ends Saturday. Win the basket with the closest guess.

The contest is sponsored by the Friends of the Kensington Library. The library is open Mondays 1 to 6 p.m., Tuesdays 12 to 8 p.m., closed Wednesdays, open Thursdays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays 1 to 5 p.m., regularly closed on Sundays and holidays. Call: 510-524-3043.

## IN BRIEF

### Clues sought in Wildcat Canyon fires

RICHMOND — East Bay Regional Parks police are asking for the public's help in determining how three small nighttime fires started April 4 in Wildcat Canyon above Richmond, because they suspect arson may have been involved.

Lt. Tim Anderson said it took 30 firefighters to subdue the blazes, which were reported around 6:50 p.m. in heavily wooded areas near hiking trails north of the Alvarado Park section of the canyon.

About a half-acre burned altogether — a much smaller amount of damage than a similar incident would have caused during hot summer months when grasses are already dried out.

Anderson said the cause is unknown, but considered suspicious. "The fact that multiple fires occurred in separate locations is inherently suspect," he concluded.

Anyone with information about the fire is asked to call East

Bay Regional Parks Police Sgt. Ron Anderson at 510-881-1833.

### \$100 up for grabs in poster contest

Celebrating Culture & Community is holding an art contest for a poster to announce the third annual Sister Cities Parade and Multicultural Festival to be held June 2.

The contest is open to anyone 16 and older, and only one entry will be accepted per person. The entry fee is \$5 and entries must be submitted no later than 5 p.m. April 16.

The winning entry, which will be awarded a \$100 prize, will become the organization's property.

Entrants should call 510-236-3255 for details.

The parade will begin in Richmond and end in El Cerrito, where the festival will be held.

### Girls softball league golf scramble fundraiser

The Albany Berkeley Girls

Softball League (ABGSL) will host its first Annual Softball Scramble Golf Tournament on Friday, May 11 at Tilden Park Golf Course to raise funds to develop a softball field at Longfellow School in Berkeley.

Serving over 200 girls each season for 19 years, ABGSL is an all-volunteer league that organizes softball teams open to all girls in 1st through 9th grade. The League emphasizes sound skill development, fun, and participation for every player, regardless of skill or previous experience.

Albany Berkeley Girls Softball League is requesting \$100 for a hole sponsorship. Smaller cash donations, which can be designated to purchase items for the raffle, are also welcome. In consideration of your generosity as a sponsor, you will receive recognition in the Golf Tournament brochure and press release for the event, and your name or company's name on a poster will be displayed at the golf hole. Participation in the Golf Tour-

namment costs \$125 per person and includes green fees, cart, box lunch, barbecue dinner, and raffle prizes.

To sign up or sponsor a hole, call Mike Birnbach at 510-525-0199 by April 20.

### Soroptimist Chef Show and Wine Tasting

Soroptimist International of Richmond, a branch of the world's largest service organization for business and professional women, hosts "Culinary Capers — Annual Chef Show & Wine Tasting" on Sunday, April 22, from noon to 3 p.m. Admission is \$30 for reservations prior to the event and \$35 at the door. The event will take place at Rockefeller Lodge, 2650 Market St., San Pablo.

Prominent chefs and caterers from the Bay Area will serve appetizers, entrees and desserts and vintners and breweries will showcase their wines.

Details and reservations: 510-237-2355.

## OBITUARY

### Angelina Winslow dies at 77

Angelina R. Winslow, wife of Robert L. Winslow of El Cerrito, died in Berkeley, April 8. She was 77.

The native and lifelong resident of El Cerrito was the mother of Pamela Abronzino of Livermore and Dan Winslow of El Cerrito; grandmother of Jennifer Amaya of Tempe, Ariz. and Brienne Abronzino of San Jose and

sister of Emelia Mitchell of Sacramento.

She enjoyed sewing, cooking and gardening. She was a member of St. John's Catholic Church in El Cerrito.

Funeral services were held yesterday in the chapel of Sunset View Mortuary in El Cerrito.

Contributions in her memory may be made to the American Cancer Society, 2023 Vale Road, Suite 4, San Pablo, CA 94806. Interment was at Sunset View Cemetery.



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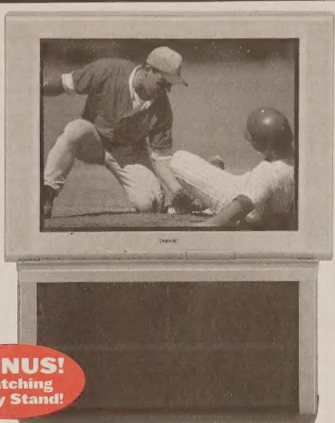
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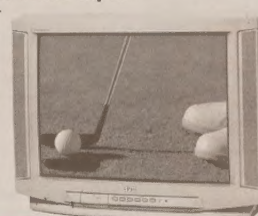
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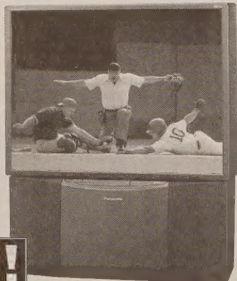
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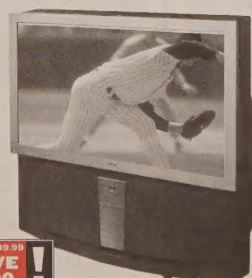


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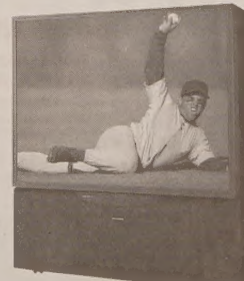


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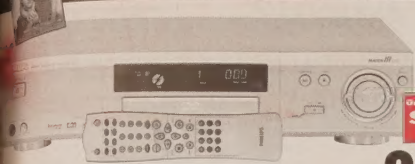


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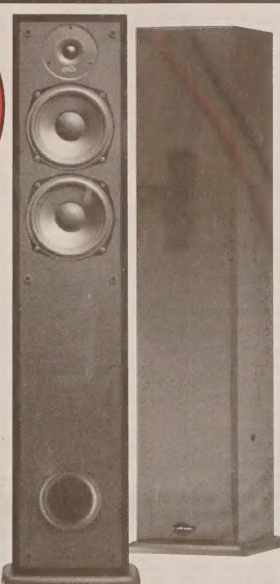
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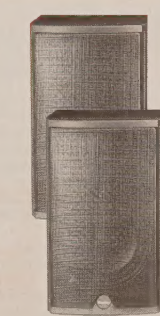
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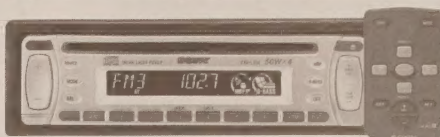
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FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

## Albany wouldn't be the same without volunteers

By Allan Maris  
ALBANY MAYOR

Citizen volunteers are vital to the health of our city. In giving time, energy, and commitment to provide much-needed community service, leadership, and participation, volunteers are what make Albany a gem of East Bay cities. In return, volunteers build relationships with other community members, feel a part of the city, and are rewarded by the enhanced quality of life in Albany that their efforts produce.

We are fortunate to have a large number of volunteers in Albany to supplement the efforts of our small, dedicated city staff, which works hard to serve the needs of our community. In recent years, when the State of California saw fit to take property tax revenues from cities — as it continues to do, our citizens stepped forward and came to the rescue. We passed local parcel taxes to improve and acquire parks and open space, to restore school programs, and to build new schools.

Citizen volunteers also play an important role in the city through service on boards and commissions, such as Planning and Zoning, Parks and Recreation, Traffic and Safety, Waterfront, Arts, Library, Youth Task Force, and Charter Review, where they listen to ideas and opinions from the public, and make recommendations and decisions to respond to community needs.

Volunteers are critical in supporting our youth, whether it is by serving on committees to improve our schools, being a part of the Block Parents Program, working to enhance services at our teen center or teen café (Café Eclectica), or by volunteering in our youth sports programs (Little League, Girls Softball, and the Albany Police Activities League). These volunteers are admirable role models for our young people, who are some of our best volunteers.

Citizen volunteers clean our beaches, creeks, and parks. They serve at our Senior Center. They plan and organize for our safety, such as through the Earthquake Preparedness Program (EQPP). No matter what your community interest,

chances are there is an opportunity to volunteer.

Volunteering is as much, if not more, about getting back as it is giving. These volunteer efforts are a great way to meet your neighbors and to appreciate what wonderful people live in Albany.

When you see these volunteers at work, thank them. They greatly enhance the quality of life in Albany. Each year, the Albany Chamber of Commerce thanks an adult and youth volunteer by recognizing them as "Citizen of the Year," and "Youth of the Year." Nominations are currently being taken at the Chamber office at 1108 Solano Ave., Albany (525-1771).

Why not join us for one or more of these important volunteer opportunities with immediate needs:

■ Landscape and maintain Albany's portion of The Bay Trail. Needed: Volunteer administrator for Adopt a Trail Program and groups to adopt a section of trail. Contact: Judy Lieberman, 528-5760

■ Prepare your block to respond to an emergency situation. Needed: Volunteers on neighborhood blocks to participate in the April 28 EQPP emergency drill. Contact your block captain, or EQPP chairpersons Doug Donaldson, 524-4835; or Paula Gray, 525-6987.

■ Albany-Berkeley-El Cerrito — 24-hour Relay for Life on June 2 at El Cerrito High School. Join with your neighbors, friends, business, and service groups for Albany-Berkeley-El Cerrito's Biggest Slumber Party — 24 hours of fun, entertainment and spirit. Relay teams are forming now. Contact Janice Jordan, 525-2608, or Cynthia Shane Smith of the American Cancer Society at 925-934-7640 ext. 302.

I feel very privileged to be the mayor of Albany. Being a volunteer myself, and working with other volunteers, to improve life for Albany residents and business people is a rewarding and invaluable experience. I encourage you to join me, and others, in volunteering with and for your community.

For further information about volunteer opportunities, please call City Hall at 528-5710.

ONE REPORTER'S OPINION

## A Letter to the mayor

By J.R. Deaton

Dear Mayor Damon:

Are you or are you not the mayor of the FRIENDLY El Cerrito City Council? For some time you have taken to opening the council meetings by announcing that the body you currently head is "the friendly El Cerrito City Council." Your recent behavior at the dais, however, may cause some to wonder if this is how friends behave.

At the conclusion of the April 2 Canyon Trail Park tree removal plan public hearing, the many citizens who had attended the hearing noisily rose to leave the meeting. There was a buzz in the room as people excitedly talked about the council vote and made comments while leaving.

Soon the mayoral gavel hit the desk with high decibel and force. "I don't know whether it occurred to you or not, but nobody adjourned this meeting," you said in apparent anger. You then pointed out to the people that the public hearing had consumed an hour and forty minutes of a full agenda. This was apparently much longer than you deemed necessary. You were concerned with moving the meeting along. Perhaps, also, you were angry at having to recuse yourself from the public hearing and council vote. Perhaps the vote did not go the way you would

have wanted. Any way you look at it, however, your behavior did not impress nor was it all too friendly.

Yes, the mayor wields the gavel and must keep control of the council meetings. But your outburst seemed more petulant than necessary. The April 2 incident comes on the heels of a public admonition to you by former Economic Development Board member Bob Winslow. At the March 19 City Council meeting Winslow said you "pulled a little boo-boo" at the previous council meeting when you became ill-tempered after a vote did not go your way.

Now these are not great sins and most people would probably rather have a passionate and vigorous mayor as yourself than an anemic milquetoast adverse to wading into the thick of things and stating opinion. But still, the April 2 City Council meeting might have been the first (and last?) such meeting for many of those attending. And petulance is unbecoming in public officials and mayors. The good people of El Cerrito deserve respect and consideration, and perhaps it can be said, a friendlier touch of your gavel.

J.R. Deaton reports on El Cerrito. Call him at 510-243-3579 or e-mail him at jdeaton@cctimes.com.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Teachers united behind negotiators

On March 22, at a general meeting of the Albany Teachers Association, more than 140 Albany teachers voted unanimously to support the union's bargaining team and executive board in rejecting the interim offer.

The Albany school district, in its press release of March 16, unsuccessfully attempts to divide Albany teachers in our effort to achieve a fair and equitable salary settlement.

That press release suggests that teachers should not support union leadership in rejecting the recent offer.

What the press release does not mention is that the school district was only willing to give teachers 8 percent mid-year (2000-01), which equates to a 4 percent salary increase for this year.

This is less than both of the two previous tentative agreements. The press release does not mention that the district proposed no increase for the 2001-2002 school year.

The press release also does not mention that the district would not commit to raise teacher salaries to at least the average of surrounding districts in Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

The school board has stated it must make cuts to provide a salary increase for teachers. In fact, the program cuts are the direct result of mismanagement of district funds. The district received an unprecedented 12 percent total of new funds this year.

Instead of offering teachers a truly competitive salary adjustment, they overhired and increased their spending in various budget areas, so that they spent 9.7 percent of the nearly 12 percent new money without setting aside even the original 7 percent of the September tentative agreement.

The district added 12.5 new teaching positions when enrollment rose by only 95 students.

The district needs to stop attempting to divide teachers and start looking for a comprehensive settlement that moves us at least to the average of our neighboring districts.

Albany teachers are more united than ever in our commitment to a fair and equitable contract.

Susan Charlip  
Albany

### Marin Ave. traffic plan a bad idea for residents

The current plan to study and implement a four-to-three lane reduction on Marin Ave. (Journal, March 1, 2001) could be a disaster for both the residents on Marin Ave. and the users of the street. I am concerned that a study with cones may not reveal serious hazards and problems of proposed "hardships" changes during peak traffic hours.

First, if it is difficult backing into traffic from driveways at peak times now (people tell me it can take five or 10 minutes), wait until it is an endless bumper to bumper single lane each way. There will be no chance to enter traffic in the morning, evenings or weekends. Now, considerate drivers can move into the left lane to allow you to enter. There is space between cars, but there won't be if two lanes each way become one.

Pedestrians will find the same problem. When the single lanes do stop for someone, we will see many fender benders occurring because of the dense lines of tailgating vehicles. Cars stopping for pedestrians in that scenario will cause gridlock in the intersections behind them.

School children being crossed on perpendicular streets will also impede this long line of vehicles when a car makes a turn from Marin. It will wait patiently, meanwhile, causing severe road rage in commuters behind.

If you have seen the intersection at San Pablo and Buchanan on a Saturday or before or after school, you know that even with two lanes and a turn lane, it can take several light changes to get across. Think of the bottleneck going from four-lane Buchanan to a two-lane Marin. It will be a nightmare during peak times.

There are other "downsides" to this experiment, such as cars bailing out onto side streets, potential head-on collisions in the turn lane, huge costs, increased commutes, and a continuous bumper-to-bumper, single lane of exhaust and noise-spewing vehicles for Marin residents to endure at peak hours.

Instead of a quiet, slower street, we will end up with a noisy and hazardous traffic jam.

Two lanes with a turn lane may be fine for normal use hours, but for peak hours, they are a disaster. Let's slow traffic with additional stop signs and enforcement of the limit. Marin is a beautiful, functional thoroughfare, and with a bit of "fine tuning," traffic can be slowed.

Peter Hobart  
Albany

### Give sufficient blackout notice

California businessmen have told PG&E they can manage rolling blackouts if given notice of outages, preferably 24 hours.

PG&E has informed us that we don't understand the security risks involved.

Businessmen are not stupid. We need notice to keep businesses running smoothly, for safety reasons, to prevent data loss, and for security reasons.

Does PG&E think shopping malls and banks want the lights to suddenly go off when they are full of people and money is on the counter?

Businesses need notice for security reasons so they can wrap up business and lock up before blackouts.

Power outages will only occur during daylight working days, so the problem with disabled alarms is minimal, especially when businesses will know when alarms will not work. Unplanned power outages are a serious threat to productivity, safety and security.

There is no excuse for lazy PG&E not to warn customers 24 hours in advance.  
Carlton Meyer  
El Cerrito

### Adequate housing a severe problem

The Housing and Urban Development budget for housing programs has received increases each of the last two years. However, the nation is still far from where it needs to be.

Currently, there are 5.4 million households with "worst-case" housing needs. An unfortunate byproduct of the good economy is a housing crisis, particularly in the rental area. There is not a single place in the country where a full-time minimum wage worker can afford to pay fair market rent.

Severe housing problems are a reality across the country. The publication, NETWORK (for 25 years a prophetic and persistent voice for justice on Capitol Hill), believes this is an opportune time, with a budget surplus, to provide needed resources to help stem the housing crisis.

Joan Bartulovich  
El Cerrito

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# Reliving 1964 and the moment that spawned a movement

It was the day that changed my life: Dec. 5, 1964. I was sitting in my dorm room at Yale, reading the New York Times, when I spotted this headline: "800 students arrested in free speech protest at University of California."

"Oh no!" I cried. "I went to the wrong school!" I ran all the way to the dean's office and told him I wanted to transfer to Cal. "No way," he said. "We've already spent two years trying to make a gentleman out of you, and we don't want to waste the investment."

So it wasn't until I graduated in 1967 that I was able to move here — that is, physically. Emotionally, I was here from the moment I opened that copy of the Times in 1964.

Here, in brief, is what happened: In the fall of 1964, the Republican National Convention met at the Cow Palace in San Francisco to nominate Barry Goldwater for president. Leading the California Goldwater delegation was Sen. William F. Knowland, who was also publisher of the then all-powerful Oakland Tribune.

Back then, the only place on campus where political activity was allowed was a tiny strip at the corner of Bancroft and Telegraph. And anti-Goldwater organizers were using that strip as a place to recruit people for a picket line around the Cow Palace.

Now, there's no smoking gun to prove this, but it's generally believed that Knowland got on the phone to his old pal, Cal Chancellor Edward Strong, and told him to make the students knock it off. All we know for sure is that campus police suddenly shut down the free speech area.

But one person refused to fold up his table and go away. His name was Jack Weinberg



MARTIN SNAPP  
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(the same guy who later became famous for coining the phrase, "Never trust anyone over 30"). The cops arrested him and put him in the back of a police car parked in front of Sproul Hall. That's when the miracle happened. Thousands of students surrounded the police car and sat down around it in non-violent protest. And they stayed there for the next 30 hours.

After a while, they decided to turn the police car into a speaker's platform, and speaker after speaker climbed up and debated the pros and cons of the situation.

One of them was a skinny math student named Mario Savio, and the words he spoke became the secular creed for a generation: "There comes a time when the operation of the machine becomes so odious, makes you so sick at heart, that you can't take part, you can't even passively take part, and you've got to put your bodies upon the gears and upon the wheels, upon all the apparatus, and you've got to make it stop. And you've got to indicate to the people who run it, the people who own it, that unless you're free, the machine will be prevented from working at all."

Things accelerated pretty quickly after that, culminating in the nonviolent takeover of Sproul Hall on Dec. 4 (the event I read about, sitting in my room in New Haven), when Joan Baez led 1,200 people singing "We Shall Overcome" as they filed into the building.

The ensuing arrests led to a student strike that was supported by the faculty in an overwhelming Academic Senate vote of 824-115.

Finally, on Dec. 18, the University caved in. And the '60s had begun in earnest.

The reason I'm musing about this is that an extraordinary reunion of FSM veterans is taking place on the Berkeley campus today and tomorrow. Alas, Mario Savio died five years ago, but everybody — and I do mean everybody — else is coming back, including Bettina Aptheker, Steve Weissman, Jackie Goldberg, Jack Weinberg, Jeff Lustig and Michael Rossman. They'll be joined by faculty mentors Sheldon Wolin and Charles Muscatine, as well as scholars like former UC Berkeley History Department chairman Reggie Zelnik, who was a lowly "temporary assistant pro-

fessor" when he stuck his neck out in 1964 to support the striking students.

But the star attraction, if he'll pardon the expression, is a man who was a hero even to the heroes of FSM: Robert Moses.

No, not the bureaucrat who built Central Park and the Triborough Bridge. I'm talking about the other Robert Moses, the soft-spoken young man who was the driving force behind the Mississippi Freedom Summer Project in 1964.

I can't even begin to count the number of beatings he took from racist thugs, or the number of times they tried to kill him. But his serenity, his courage and, above all, his humility were an inspiration to thousands of people, many of whom never met him.

How humble was he? For several years he changed his name from Robert Moses to Robert Parris because he

thought "Moses" was too charismatic, and he didn't want a cult of personality to form around him.

He'll be on a panel at the Bechtel Engineering Center's Sibley Auditorium tonight at 8, along with Aptheker, Weinberg and Weissman.

There will be more sessions tomorrow in Wheeler Hall, featuring Reggie Zelnik, Charles Muscatine, Elaine Kim, Nadine Strossen, Peter Dale Scott, Jeff Lustig and Sheldon Wolin. For particulars, call 642-3782.

Admission is free. (What else would you expect?)

And if you can't attend, you can still access the information. This two-day symposium is actually a party to celebrate the completion of the Bancroft Library's Free Speech Movement Digital Archive and Oral History Project, which includes just about every document you can think

of, including copies of the Daily Cal and recollections from everyone on every side, from UC President Clark Kerr to ordinary students who got caught up in the events.

Some of the most moving documents are the letters that the students who were arrested wrote to Judge Ruppert Crittendon as part of their pre-sentencing hearings. Reading them was like traveling in a time machine and coming face-to-face with the idealistic young man I used to be. The address: [www.lib.berkeley.edu/BANC/ism](http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/BANC/ism).

The Bancroft Library has also unveiled a new exhibit of posters, photographs, leaflets and ephemera from that era, including pictures of Mario Savio atop the police car.

And this spring, Prof. Zelnik will come out with a fascinating new book on FSM, a combina-

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■ April 16, Regular Meeting, Discussion of SCHOOLCARE fundraising, 7:30 p.m., AMS Library

## Albany High School

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■ April 16, Site Council Meeting, 6 p.m., AHS Office Conference Room

■ April 17, Athletic Boosters Meeting, 7 p.m., AHS Room TBA

■ April 18, Athletic Council Meeting, 6 p.m., AHS Room 38, Agenda items: athletic field maintenance, possible athletic program reductions, and coaching vacancies.

■ April 28, 7 p.m., Theater Study Class presents five short plays directed and produced by the advanced students, about two hours long, free, AHS Little Theater.

■ June 15, Senior Boat Cruise following graduation, 11:30 PM - 4:30 a.m., four adult chaperones needed, e-mail Becca Sanchez at [beccas@pacbell.net](mailto:beccas@pacbell.net)

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■ April 19, Parent Ed Night on TeenPower, 7:15-9:45 PM, AMS Library. Questions in advance to Erika Holmes, 243-0543

April 26, Site Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

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■ April 26, PTA Meeting, 7 p.m., Marin Multi-Purpose Room

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■ April 26, PTA Meeting, 7 p.m. Ocean View Library

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## Board of Education

April 24, Regular Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Cornell Multi-Purpose Room

## AUSD Calendar

April 9-13, Spring Break, no school

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## Del Norte

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the development will create vibrant retail and leisure opportunities that will benefit both the new residents and the surrounding community," states a narrative description of the proposal Oewel gave to the council. "The main project site is located along San Pablo Avenue, at Cutting Boulevard, directly west of the BART station," it states. "The site is irregular in shape, is in the most part level and includes the BART parking lots on the north and south of Cutting Boulevard and the site known as the Mayfair block."

Oewel said the project would be a "new urbanist concept" and would include a "major component" of office space. "Along San Pablo Avenue the densities will be higher as permitted by the adopted General Plan with three-story apartment buildings and a five-story (plus or minus) office tower with a wedding cake roof line to establish a local landmark for the new uptown El Cerrito commercial district," the description says.

"Landscaped courtyards on the top of the structured parking will provide open green space for the residents, in addition to providing shelter for vehicles. Parking will be provided in a three-story parking garage spanning the entire San Pablo site with 1,000 parking spaces provided for BART patrons," it notes.

"Two-hundred sixty-four parking spaces are provided for residents with an additional 300 parking spaces for the office and retail uses (shared parking with BART). Guest parking is primarily accommodated by the off peak shared parking on site."

"What Charlie wants is to have people in the community involved as well as city staff and the council and help develop a plan," Woepke said. "The planning process," she added, "is looking to get the community involved with the plan before it makes an official submission."

A call to Oewel earlier this week was not returned. Woepke was asked her initial view of the project and its "fit" for the area. "As a combined mixed use of residential, office and commercial, I think it's good," she said. "It's a matter of how you're going to decide the ratios and how you can fit the parking."

"From an economic development perspective, I think it's one of the most visible sites in the city," Woepke said. "It's a anchor along San Pablo Avenue. We have El Cerrito Plaza to the south and Del Norte to the north. It's a grand entrance into the city. It's an area that has direct access right off the freeway. It should be more commercial oriented and we should take advantage of having the BART location there for employment uses and retail."

## EL CERRITO PTA NEWS

By Linda Takimoto  
CORRESPONDENT

## Bayside Council of PTAs

May 7, Council meeting, 7 p.m. in the faculty room at Pinole Middle School, 1575 Mann St., Pinole.

## Adams Middle School

■ Mark your calendars. On Saturday, May 19, Adams Middle School will be sponsoring a school wide flea market. All proceeds will benefit either the PTA, school club or group of students (i.e., Academy or sixth, seventh, eighth grade class). Adams is located at 5000 Patterson Circle, Richmond. Also on this day, Mira Vista Elementary School, which is located a few blocks from Adams, holds its annual Garden Sale. This is a great opportunity for the community to visit both schools and to show their support.

■ Join Adams PTA - Membership is only \$6. Checks are payable to "Adams PTA". Please mail all checks to Adams PTA, 5000 Patterson Circle, Richmond, CA 94805.

■ The Adams library is collecting empty computer ink jet cartridges (the small ink jet cartridges — black and/or color; no laser cartridges or copier toner cartridges). There is a collection bucket in the library on the third floor.

■ Anyone who shops at Albertson's can help us by using the Albertson Community Partner card. There is no cost to the member. If you are interested in receiving a card, please send a note to the Adams PTA at 5000 Patterson Circle, Richmond, CA 94805 and a card will be sent to you. We are also participating in the Target Guest Card and eScrip program (Adams ID#4654695). If you are interested in helping, please call the PTA voice message line or send an email message to [cchan2429@aol.com](mailto:cchan2429@aol.com).

■ PTA E-mail - Weekly PTA bulletins are being sent. If you know any friends or neighbors who might be interested, please send your email address to Connie Chan Kucera at [cchan2429@aol.com](mailto:cchan2429@aol.com)

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■ Read about Adams on the Internet: Access the PTA newsletter at [www.elcerritowire.com](http://www.elcerritowire.com) and type "Adams Middle School" in the search box. Access the student newspaper, the Falcon Flyer, at: [www.highwired.net/Paper/PageOne/0,1859,964,00.html](http://www.highwired.net/Paper/PageOne/0,1859,964,00.html)

## Castro Elementary

■ Fundraisers: Castro is en-

rolled in eScrip (ID#137627554), Albertson's, Target, and SchoolPop fundraising programs. Call Peggy Wilcox at 236-0761 to find out how you can benefit Castro when you shop.

## El Cerrito High

■ **NEW SCRIP SALES:** El Cerrito High School PTSA is enrolled in the eScrip program. Our group ID is 5221087. Individual members buy an annual fee of \$10 to register their Safeway loyalty or other credit cards with eScrip. A percentage of the supporters' purchases is contributed by the merchant partner to ECHS PTSA on a monthly basis. Participating merchants are: Safeway, Andronico's, Cody's Books, Chevron, Old Navy, Eddie Bauer, and Payless Shoes. You may register online at [www.escripinc.com](http://www.escripinc.com) or look for registration forms at various school events. Any ques-

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## Harding Elementary

■ Scrip purchases - contact Holly Winter at 525-0273.

■ After School Classes include tennis, dance and drama. Call the school at 525-0273 or the El Cerrito Community Center for more details.

## Portola Middle School

April 24, Music association and PTA meetings - 6:30 p.m. and 7:15 p.m. The PTA meeting

will be brief and move to El Cerrito High for the IJSP Forum that begins at 8 p.m. Proposed plans for Castro, Portola and El Cerrito High will be available and community input is welcome.

April 28, Earth Day - Join the group any time between 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. to help with school beautification projects.

■ Fundraisers: Portola is enrolled in eScrip and Albertson's fundraising programs. Call Peggy Wilcox at 236-0761 to find out how you can benefit Portola while you shop.

■ Teen Center - Monday through Thursday from 3p.m. to 5p.m. at the Community Center.

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# Doctoral work links generations of women

Before I start telling you about the very interesting woman who is my subject today, please let me take just a moment to describe a wonderful vignette, a scene so lovely I smile when I think of it. It happened at the El Cerrito Plaza, on the path between the shops and the construction fence.

A sprite of a child (he couldn't have been more than 2 or 3 years old) was running lightly down the path, followed several feet behind by grandpa running madly to keep up. Fortunately, the child was momentarily distracted by one of the "peeking areas" along the fence, and stopped to investigate. Happy grandpa quickly joined him. A moment's discussion, and then the two were back on the path, one tiny hand strongly and securely in the grip of a large one. And both of them were beaming. So was I.

And so to Maxine Berzok. I met Maxine when she had left leaflets at local senior centers asking women between the ages of 75 to 85 to contact her. She was doing a study for her doctoral dissertation at the Alameda-based California School of Professional Psychology. Intrigued, I called her (alas, I am of that age) and made an appointment to meet with her. The result of that meeting was that we interviewed each other, she for her thesis and I for this column.

All that I am allowed to tell you of her interview of me is that she was asking the women who were young adults during the Great Depression to tell her of their experiences then and throughout their lives. It was interesting and a heady experience, for who doesn't like to

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talk about herself (especially to a very appreciative audience)? I found her questions challenging and enjoyed myself thoroughly.

I don't know if soon-to-be-Dr. Berzok enjoyed it as much when I interviewed her. But I did, for she was a charming and highly intelligent woman who felt she owed me the same forthrightness and openness that I had shown her. So she spoke of herself as she rarely did. Indeed, after a short while, I stopped her and told her I was getting the facts, but was not getting her. It was that she found difficult, talking about herself as a person, not just a student or a psychologist. But gamely, she did.

Born in Missouri, Maxine came to Southern California in 1927, during the Depression. She grew up in Sherman Oaks, went to high school in Van Nuys, then UCLA, and then got married to the man from Sherman Oaks whom she had known from the first grade on. Four children were born of that union, one of whom, sadly, died young. Of the other three, Melinda married an Aussie and lives in Australia, Mary got a teaching credential in Canada, and John went to school in Oregon and stayed. She has six grandkids and three great grands.

Husband Robert was a professor of biology at UC. A herpetologist (reptiles and amphibians), now retired, he paints and is going to have a show at the Lindsay Museum in October.

Those are the facts. When I asked for more about her, she relaxed and talked. She speaks of coming to California where things are more open, where the things that had interested her all of her life could come together, as in her dissertation, which brings together her interest in psychology and the influence of the culture of the times.

"I like all the background reading I do," she muses, "It takes in all of it: psychology, history, women, and the cultures of the various eras. The Depression and World War II were the most important things to the women I have been interviewing, and some of them I have lived through myself. They led to women's liberation and education, so different from that of the men. They freaked out at the new technology that their grandchildren were born with (knowing)."

She smiles. "Many wonder why a woman of my age would take on such a project. I told myself, 'You are getting older, and there's a hell of a lot you don't know.'"

"The decision to stop teaching grade school and look for a job was a very hard one. I had a lot invested in the program. But I realized it was not going to wind up and it was not my career. The difference between my daughter and me was that she grew up in a milieu where it was expected that she would have a career, and my husband and I encouraged her. I grew up with the expectation that I would marry. I thought when I first married, 'Why did I go to school? It has nothing to do with what I am doing now.' Young women don't understand what my generation went

through. My own experience left me with myriad questions. The culture you grow up in affects your whole life.

"In doing this program, I feel my age is an advantage; it brings the experiences of my life to add to and understand the experiences of those older than I. As we get older, we understand our parents better, and vicariously. Through seeing them, I have a better understanding of the older adults I am working with."

And why women only? The women who grew up in the Depression years had to go to work, with no tradition behind them. And then, in World War II, they were needed and more went to work. Then came the end of the war and it was necessary for women to make the jobs available to the returning men, and they were told to go home and have babies. "Women have had more varied experiences, and that is what I am studying."

Maxine smiles and says, "This is hard for me. I am reticent." But she has opened up, and I have talked with a woman who thinks deeply, cares deeply, and refuses to be categorized. She has promised that I may see her dissertation at some point, and I look forward to it.

It was fun meeting and getting to know Maxine Berzok. I so enjoy the varied and interesting people I meet doing this column. Now, won't you give me your ideas of other interesting people, events, etc. Please write to me at 555 Pierce St., #443, Albany, CA 94706 or call 525-4585. My email is crgenser@aol.com.

## Gap

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slated for Old Navy is already under construction.

Councilwoman Kathleen Perka said the news is not entirely unexpected. "It's unfortunate, but it's not surprising given the news in the financial pages that the Gap is not having good times financially," Perka said. "When I was looking at that, I said 'Oh gosh I hope something doesn't happen.' That said, it's unfortunate, but I don't think it's disastrous," she added.

"The first phone call I made was to a certain department store CEO in Fresno," Perka said, referring to Joe Levy of Gottschalks. Before joining the City Council Perka led a petition drive seeking a department store to replace the closed Emporium.

"They made no commitment, but they appreciated knowing first-hand," Perka said. "I wanted to make him aware of the situation, that this was the location, it's probably not the size of the store that he wanted, but people still are clamoring for a department store."

Perka pointed out that a recent market study of El Cerrito found that the city is losing significant apparel sales dollars to markets outside the city.

"Sixty-seven percent of the money they could spend in El Cerrito on apparel is leaving; it's going other places," she said. "I would say it's going to Corte Madera and Walnut Creek."

Engberg was candid about the news. "I'm disappointed to be honest with you about this

outcome," he said. "We felt that the Gap and Old Navy would be very good additions to the center. They would add a breadth and depth to our tenant mix that we want in the center and that the community wants. But sometimes there comes a point in a deal where those objectives are overcome by other issues."

Engberg said the events are a "change in direction," but added "I don't see it as a negative change of direction by any means. We lose these two tenants, but we'll replace them with two other tenants that will be just as nice an addition to the community as we would otherwise have."

He said Regency is negotiating to bring other retailers to fill the Gap and Old Navy buildings.

"There will be other tenants, of course, in their place," Engberg said. "We've had no shortage of tenant interest at the location. We're already into negotiations with other people who are interested." He said some of the interest is from apparel retailers, but could not give details.

"We have to decide which direction we're going to go," Engberg said. "There's a lot of restaurant interest in the El Cerrito Plaza, more than we can accommodate. We are looking at that alternative as well."

He said he cannot name possible tenants until leases are signed. "We should be in a position where we can announce within 60 days," Engberg said. "We're going to be going hard to get the replacement tenants right away."

## Pasta La Vista dinner and silent auction is May 19

EL CERRITO — The Community Services Department is hosting the Pasta La Vista and Silent Auction, a fundraising benefit for the El Cerrito Swim Center, on Saturday, May 19, from 6-10 p.m. at the El Cerrito Community Center, 7007 Mooser Lane. To supplement the funds provided by Measure A for the El Cerrito Swim Center, the city has launched a marketing campaign to raise approximately \$100,000. The city is pursuing private donations and submitting grant applications to local and regional private foundations in addition to the dinner/auction benefit. Funds raised will help offset the cost of amenities such as pool covers, bleachers, and water play equipment.

Local caterer and swim team parent Jamal Jawad will be preparing homemade spaghetti

sauce and directing the volunteer cooks in the kitchen. Community members can support this event by donating a white elephant (your junk can be someone else's treasure) for the silent auction. Here is an opportunity to clean out your garage and donate that unique item(s) to a worthy cause. Organizers request that donors use some discretion, and that do-

notations have a minimum bid value of \$10; the city reserves the right to decline items. City staff will be available to pick up any donations.

Tickets are \$10 per person and \$30 for a family of four. They can be purchased at the Community Center or charged using Mastercard or Visa by phone at 510-215-4370. Order now, after

April 20, tickets will be sold for \$13 per person and \$40 for a family of four. Donation and ticket order forms are available in the new City Brochure mailed to all El Cerrito residents. Non-residents can pick up the brochure at the Community Center or call to have one mailed to them. For more information, call 510-215-4370.

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## Snapp

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tion of recollections and original sources which he edited with Prof. Robert Cohen of NYU. Only one thing is holding up publication: the title.

"We were going to call it 'There Comes A Time,' after the first line of Mario's most famous speech," says Zelnik. "Trouble is, we're not sure Mario actually said it. When we went back and read the original sources (copies of The Californian from 1965) they quote him as saying, 'There is a time,' which is OK, but not as catchy as 'There comes a time.' And being conscientious historians, we can't fake the quote. So we're still trying to come up with another title."

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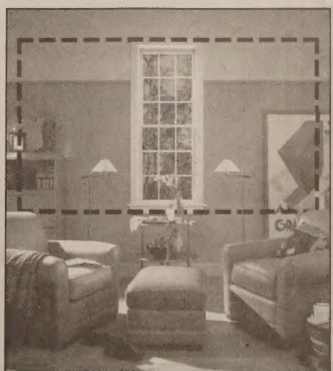
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## Portola's day in court

**PORTOLA MIDDLE SCHOOL** students Brandon Taylor, center and John Pointer, right teamed up to block 8th grade science teacher Phil Wharton's pass during the annual staff vs. student basketball game played on April 10.

## Carjack

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briefly started again, before police lost Trevino on southbound

Interstate 80.

Authorities said Trevino is a known car thief who evaded police last month, again in a stolen-car chase that began in Richmond and ended in Berkeley.

He's described as being Hispanic, 5-foot-9, 180 pounds, with black hair and brown eyes. He

was wearing a white T-shirt and blue jeans Tuesday.

The car was found later in Berkeley with blood inside, leading police to believe Trevino may have been shot, Lopes said. Police ask anyone with information to call 510-215-4400.

## High school

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additional space for school and community use.

Two buildings that housed classrooms, labs, the library and multipurpose room, were deemed to be structurally unsafe and required replacement. The redesign of the remaining buildings was deemed necessary due to inadequate classrooms, gymnasium and storage space. All told, it includes 77,099 square feet of new classrooms, a new 26,320-square-foot gym, and a modernized multi-purpose room and classrooms.

The project will cost upwards of \$22 million in state funding.

The latest delay was caused in part by the state's delay in approving panel drawings from a supplier of precast concrete slabs, said assistant superintendent Walter Wallace.

Now, sheet rock and taping is almost complete on all three floors of the classroom building, with the exception of a few ceiling grids and electric light fixtures, and the installation of the curtain wall forming the atrium started this week.

What remains a concern for PE teachers and district officials alike is the completion of the gym, which is estimated for mid-September but could change.

That means when school starts students will probably have outdoor PE classes, but the weight room will not be available to athletes over the summer.

Depending on how construction progresses over the summer, the board may try to make arrangements to use another local gym.

Currently, the pre-cast panel

erection is complete on all sides of the gym, and construction is now focusing on mechanical duct work and the fire sprinkler piping. Plywood panels are going up on the walls in the weight room and locker room in preparation for wall board installation. Windows are being installed, and metal wall framing is being installed behind the pre-cast panels.

Board members hope the locker rooms will be completed by Sept. 1.

Either way, the football team will have access to the field house at Cougar Field, so practices shouldn't be affected. In addition, summer school classes will take place at the old middle school, where MacGregor High School has been housed, and wouldn't be affected by further scheduling changes.

"We don't want to get any further behind," said Skinner.

Some buildings will be complete before others, and the Fine Arts building facing Key Route has been in luck.

"That's been the first in everything," said Skinner. With air-tight windows in place, work has continued inside the building while construction on the gym and elsewhere was delayed.

Since the outset, 10 change orders have been processed for such items as adding offices to the ground floor and "district upgrades" such as altering the type of fireproofing to be used, adding some \$675,000 to the original estimate.

"There have been no major unknowns," said Wallace.

Still, a few details have yet to be ironed out.

When the middle school was being rebuilt, for example, the local Fire Marshall had sprinklers installed that weren't re-

quired in the original plan. While the high school design follows state standards, local fire standards may dictate otherwise.

Now that the construction is in its final stages, remaining tasks include redoing some windows over classroom doors and other interior work, not to mention the massive job of moving everything in.

"The real trick is getting everything color-coded and packed, deciding what you want and what is surplus," said Skinner.

And, what to do with the portables.

The Albany School District is negotiating to sell the portables it owns to other school districts, while others may get sent back to the state.

Even after construction is complete, it may be some time before all aspects of the new school are in place. Landscaping and other site work will likely remain, and the district has a long-term plan to return tennis courts — which have spent years occupied by portables — to the city.

The architect and Superintendent Gary Mills plan to draft a letter to the Fire Marshall regarding fire alarm plans for the fine arts building.

Another meeting with the contractor is set for the end of April.

At Cornell School, structural plans are being approved by the Department of the State Architect, which is required to approve all construction plans in school sites. Also, arrangements are being made at Vista Community College to remove the leased portable building in May.

## Earth Day

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designated Ohlone Greenway site at Schmidt Lane, which is being adopted by the Sierra Club.

But make no mistake, "Cleanup is still the main emphasis," said City Councilwoman Janet Abelson, who is again co-chairing the event.

Places receiving particular attention are the Mira Vista Park portion of Baxter Creek, the focus of Friends of Baxter Creek, and the portion of Cerrito Creek alongside the Plaza, a focus of Friends of 5 Creeks. Volunteers will also be restoring order to parks, school grounds, the Contra Costa Civic Theatre and City

Hall, and every hand is needed. Work parties start at 8:30 a.m. at locations around the city and continue until noon.

For their trouble, along with a city more in harmony with its surroundings, volunteers will be given a free barbecue lunch at the Community Center.

At 1 p.m. a shuttle will take interested participants from the Community Center to the West County Earth Day observance at the Integrated Resource Recovery Facility in Richmond. To reserve a place on the shuttle call 215-4350.

El Cerrito's observance is co-sponsored by Sustainable El Cerrito, the El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce and the City of El Cerrito.

To volunteer, contact Abelson at 510-525-7709 or

earthday@ci.e-cerrito.ca.us. Or simply show up at the Community Center at 8:30 a.m. to find out which sites can use a helping hand.

## Baxter Creek ceremony

A week earlier, on April 21, the Urban Creeks Council and the City of Richmond are holding a ribbon-cutting ceremony for celebrating restoration work on the section of Baxter Creek at Booker T. Anderson Jr. Park at 47th and Cypress streets in Richmond.

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## Magazines, a source of pleasure, information

Number 359 in a series of true experiences in real estate

My life is perhaps most rich when I have a stack of shiny new home and gardening magazines just sitting waiting for me. As I collect them from the mailbox or rush past them on the coffee table, I think about the goodies I'll get as soon as I have time to sit and look at them.

I don't save them though. Once I've gone through an issue, I like to pass it on. For a number of years I looked for someone deserving.

I offered my magazines to a number of people, to the library and to friends and clients. Mostly these people were mildly glad for the offer, but certainly not appropriately ecstatic as I would be if someone offered them to me. They'd say, "Sure, okay, but I don't want to take them right now. Maybe I could get them next time."

But that was all before I met Marty. Marty and I met when we went to the house she and her husband, Bob, wanted to sell. In the first few minutes of meeting, standing together in her fluff, wild garden and looking back at her orchid-pink house, Marty and I bonded. We talked pink paint. We talked morning glories. We talked redwood window casings. And we talked about the fixer house she and Bob had just bought.

Naturally, we got around to magazines, but not that first day. We were both talking as fast as we could as we stood in the garden, and we could only cover so much.

It was after the open house, after I found that Marty subscribes to Fine Gardening (a magazine I quickly added to my subscription list) that I offered to give her my recently-read magazines if she wanted them.



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It was a test. Marty met it. She said, "Thanks, yes!" Then, "Which ones do you get?"

Marty loves magazines for the same reasons that I do. She wants to see what strange and wonderful things other people are doing to their houses and gardens.

"I'd like every issue you can spare," she told me, "and I'll pick them up or whatever works for you." Her words were perfect.

It seems like forever that I have subscribed to as many home furnishing, remodeling and gardening magazines as I can possibly afford. I think I started with Sunset when I was 18, newly married, and dying to play house.

My current favorites include Old House Journal, Traditional Home and Renovation Style. And, I must admit, I greatly enjoy Martha Stewart Living. There simply is no other magazine as well done as that one.

My all-time favorite, Apartment Life, is no longer published. The editorial staff of Apartment Life must have stayed up nights thinking of really clever, cheap, quick tricks to transform spaces. Even if I never used a single one myself, I loved knowing about them.

Apartment Life had one especially fascinating feature that I always looked for, two versions of the same room. One was done in genuine, expensive furniture, rugs,

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DENNIS EVANOSKY

**DESIGNED TO LOOK LIKE A FINE ENGLISH COUNTRY COTTAGE**, the home at 415 Pacific Ave. in Piedmont has distinctive rolled eaves resembling a thatched roof. Its many Tudor features include half-timbering, prominent gables, an overhanging upper story supported by large exposed beams and the elegant porte cochere with Tudor arches.

## Quality craftsmanship, commanding views

BY GAIL LOMBARDI  
CORRESPONDENT

Fine Tudor design, quality craftsmanship and a great view of the Bay set 415 Pacific Ave. in Piedmont apart from many houses.

Designed to look like a fine English country cottage, the house has distinctive rolled eaves resembling a thatched roof. Its many Tudor features include half-timbering, prominent gables, an overhanging upper

story supported by large exposed beams and the elegant porte cochere with Tudor arches. Tudor arches are repeated above the windows of the music and family rooms and the unique circular sash is repeated in the balcony railings.

In 1914 the somewhat anonymous partnership of Peterson and Anderson built the house for Helen Hagar Moore and her husband Arthur for \$8,300, designing it so

that all the major rooms have panoramic views of the Bay.

Although little is known about these builders, the skill of their Scandinavian craftsmanship is evident throughout the house. The rooms are large with high ceilings and architectural details of an elegant age.

The formal entry still has its original gumwood paneling and a large built-in bench. The staircase has a

charming heart motif in its newel post and balusters, and a stained glass panel, still in place, would have flooded the stairs with light before a recent remodel.

The living has a world-at-your-feet view, beamed ceilings and built-in bookcases. Leaded glass cabinets, paneled wainscoting and a fireplace enrich the dining room

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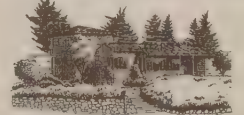
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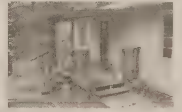


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## Remembering Ed Lindorfer — the 'Lot Man of Montclair'

BY PHIL WEINGROW  
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I don't know that much about Ed. It's not that he wouldn't talk about himself. It was just that you would have to ask. I do know, he always had a smile for you.

He grew up on a farm in Minnesota. He was one of those few who lived in this century who actually did walk miles through the snow to school, after he milked the cows.

As a young man he served in the military during World War II. He was one of only a few men in his company to return from the war. He saw and experienced terrible things while there, but he never dwelled on them.

Soon thereafter he married his sweetheart, a relationship that lasted over 50 years and warmed the hearts of those who knew them. (I remember just a few weeks ago, Jeannie dropping off her "Eddie's lunch", in a paper bag, because she was afraid he wouldn't eat.)

He would frequently refer to her as "my bride." Ed and Jeannie raised a family that was their pride and joy.

Ed worked very hard. He built hundreds of homes in the Oakland Hills. He sold hundreds of lots, helping scores of contractors get through the permit process. Hundreds more called "the lot man" looking for dirt. He touched many lives.

He helped his contractor son pour concrete on a "day off" or helped others move. All this well after his 74th birthday.

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Once the underwriter has signed off on all the conditions, he or she will pass the loan on to the loan document drawer, who sends it to the escrow officer, who calls in the buyers to sign the documents. Most escrow officers are also notaries, if not, add the notary to the list.

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If you count everyone involved in closing your purchase transaction you'd need all your fingers and toes and still be short of digits.

The important thing is to have good communication with your main coordinators, usually your buyer's real estate agent and mortgage broker.

That way when the glitches happen, the problem is worked away rather than just wondering why and where that Montclair Madness happened.

Karen Senzig is co-owner of Montclair Mortgage with her husband, Scott. She can be reached at 510-339-8511, fax 510-339-8512, email at ksenzig@aol.com. Contact her with mortgage questions or topics for discussion.

## Getting organized will help get you uncluttered

BY BOBBIE REID  
CORRESPONDENT

Too little space? Clutter everywhere? A place for nothing and nothing in its place?

The walls seem to be closing in on you. Objects are falling out of closets. Moving to a larger place may seem the only answer.

Not necessarily so. Functional organization could be the key to such a problem.

Organization has its place in the home, as well as in the office. It can mean the difference in saving you time, steps and even money. Home organization can give you a sense of freedom in your leisure time, without your becoming fanatical about neatness.

**Formulate a plan.** First, choose the rooms that seem to require the most organization. A good rule of thumb for this would be the rooms lived in the most. The kitchen, bath and family room would be good areas to start.

**Play pitch and throw.** This is a game that is not fun and requires discipline. Throw out anything not

used in over a year. If you have to think about any item twice, it probably should receive the heave-ho, also. Once you complete this step, re-organize what is left.

**Decide about space.** Dead space. Space not used that could be. Corners, wall space, space under shelves, even spaces between large pieces of furniture or appliances and the wall.

To organize this unused space will require a decision. You can fill it by buying ready-made units or you can try a do-it-yourself project. Whatever the decision is, measure first. Measuring will save headaches and money.

Kitchen organization is important. Situate items according to their use. Place things used most frequently in a convenient spot.

If the refrigerator is placed in an alcove, build a rolling cupboard to fill the space between the side wall and the appliance. This can be done with lumber and casters. The shelving will be wide enough to

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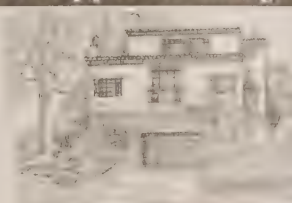
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BAY AREA PROPERTIES



## Tudor

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Upstairs, the four large bedrooms have more great views and lots of closet space. The master bedroom has a fireplace and shares a balcony with a second bedroom. Other bedrooms have a fireplace or individual sink and share updated bathrooms. One bath still has a toilet tub.

Two enclosed porches offer more bedroom, living or office space. Originally built as an open sun porch, the rear porch with its distinctive wood paneling was remodeled just four years after the house was built.

The full attic and basement are finished and carpeted and offer more living or storage space.

## The Hagars

Clara and Edwin Hagar provided well for their family. Before the turn of the century, they bought 12 acres in the Piedmont hills when the entire hillside was a eucalyptus forest. Hagar was a banker, but he made his fortune by buying property "at a nominal figure" and selling it when it had increased in value.

When her husband died in 1904, Clara Hagar retained the land to the end of the block for her family's estate, and sold the remainder to developer Wickham Havens.

In 1914 her two daughters built their homes here, Clara living here with Helen until her death. Until the 1930s, they had the hillside to themselves with just a scattering of homes here.

## Tarpoiff

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paintings, vases and so on. Retail price was (this was awhile back) around \$5,000.

On the opposite page was the same room in faux everything — at a price of about \$500. The rooms were surprisingly similar. I spent a lot of time studying the differences between them, trying to decide if the cheaper version was okay with me.

I don't tear pages out of magazines very often because, although I am going to get rid of the magazines, I don't like to mar a good thing. I see an idea that I think I might use, and I know that I'll need the photo, the instructions, or the source later, I'll tear it out, but only after careful consideration.

Recently, for example, I added to my file of house ideas a page from House & Garden showing terra cotta clay chimney tops I had seen were available. (Are chimney tops the same as chimney pots — like in England?) I don't need a chimney top right now, but these are so beautiful that I saved the item in hopes that a client will want to know where to get such an item, and I'll remember that I've filed it.

The best of magazine reading is when I open to a full-color, double-page to find something that has never occurred to me. Maybe it's a story about some genius who nailed redwood lath in criss-crosses on the outside of a ratty-looking laundry room, then painted the whole thing white, and stood clay pots in front, planted with baby boxwood.

"Wow!" I say to myself. "Clean, crisp, cheap, great! I could do that at the back of my house. Wouldn't that look terrific? And I'll bet I could saw and nail the lath myself."

Marty is like me. She works on her house all of the time, if not personally, at least in her head. If she is not painting, she is thinking about what next to paint. If she's not planting, she's wondering about sweet peas or canary vine.

When we talk, we compare notes on clever house things we have done in the past. I tell her about having my French door thresholds covered in heavy brass. Not expensive, looks great, doesn't rot. She tells me about having the open ceiling in her living room fitted with sheet rock, leaving the wooden beams exposed.

We talk lilies. Not daylilies, but tall, buy-them-from-the-florist lilies, white with raised pink spots. And aren't they easy to grow? Marty confirms. "I had a whole forest of them at my old house. They look so exotic but all you really have to do is water them."

We talk about painted floors. "I've always liked painted floors," I say, "but my husband just couldn't bear to paint anything that was already naked wood so I never had the chance to have one."

"But they look so good," says Marty. "I painted my bedroom floor shiny white once. The wood was kind of wrecked up anyway. And I loved it!"

There's nothing quite like sharing enthusiasms with a friend. It's nice to do things on your own, but it's even nicer to have someone to talk them over with, to add an opinion, to cheer you on.

I may be saving magazines for Marty for the rest of my life. I get so much out of it.

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## Sisterly Connection

When Helen and Arthur Moore were building 415 Pacific, her sister Louise and her husband James Tallman were building their home at 427 Pacific, immediately to the north. Together they shared a carriage house where 423 Pacific now stands.

Today you can still see the sisterly connection between the two houses in the driveway and garden paths abruptly cut off by a garden fence. The base of a stone gazebo sits halfway between the houses, its stone repeated in the stone pillars at the street. There has been at least one wedding in the garden with its expansive Bay view.

## Moore and Borden

Arthur W. Moore was a banker with the Oakland Bank of Savings, one of the more prominent banks at the time and the same bank where Edwin Hagar worked. (Moore may have married the boss's daughter.) He was also Piedmont City Treasurer for 20 years and Alameda County Inheritance Appraiser.

He and Helen raised a son and daughter here and sold the house to attorney Granville S. Borden and his wife Kathryn in 1938. Borden was a tax attorney with interests in mining and lectured at UC for 11 years. The Borden's raised their three daughters here and lived here into the 1970s.

To learn more about the property call Pacific Union at 510-339-6460 and ask for Helen Danhaki at extension 356 or Charlotte Boyle at extension 370. For a virtual tour of 415 Pacific Ave., please visit [pacunion.com](http://pacunion.com).

Gail Lombardi is an architectural historian and member of the Piedmont Historical Society. If you are interested in a house history, please contact her at 547-3311.

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## Clutter

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store spices and canned goods. The casters will allow the cupboard to slide in and out with ease.

There are ways to add extra kitchen storage space with little work or money. Investigate stackable storage bins. Wire storage bins, with arms can be purchased for use under existing shelving. Turntables used in deep cupboards or corner cupboards can help eliminate lost items.

Bathroom storage space may seem an impossible task, but there may be more space available than imagined. Space above the commode is a good example. There are storage units designed to fit this space. Many designs coordinate with other bath accessories.

Hanging corner shelves provide extra storage for towels. Explore unused space above the shower or tub. Cupboards added here provide storage for towels.

For easy closet organization, take a trip to the notion's department of your favorite store. Try hooks for closet doors and walls, hanging baskets or clear plastic boxes for shoes. There are special space saving hangers for slacks and skirts.

Check existing doors. Doors that open into a room are frequently

space wasters. There are bi-fold and lowered doors that will save space.

**Organize with shelving.** Shelves are useful for every room in the house. Investigate first. There are many types and styles, so you will have to choose what best fits your needs.

Wall hanging shelves can be built or bought. Standards are attached to the wall, brackets are added and the shelves placed on the brackets.

Ready-made shelves are expensive. It would be less expensive to make this a do-it-yourself project. With plywood or lumber and a few tools, you can create your own shelving system.

If you can't or don't have the time to try your own handiwork, there are many ready-made units on the market. With proper planning of space, these units can sometimes give the appearance of being built-in.

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FROM PAGE B4

216 Wildwood Av - \$863,500

## RICHMOND

2825 Andrade Av - \$270,000  
 3094 Barkley Dr - \$228,000  
 5410 Brookwood Ln - \$450,000  
 24 Collins Ct - \$350,000  
 439 Dirm St - \$470,000  
 1189 Fairway Dr - \$291,000  
 333 Tunnel Av - \$375,000  
 3675 West Ct - \$137,500  
 444 Wilson Av - \$125,000

## SAN LEANDRO

1507 137th Av - \$227,000  
 1321 145th Av - \$178,000  
 15038 Alexandria St - \$325,000  
 695 Begier Av - \$465,000  
 14665 Bethany St - \$300,000  
 426 Caliente Dr - \$210,000  
 216 California Av - \$295,000  
 230 California Av - \$319,000  
 15178 Discovery Rd - \$570,000  
 328 East 14th St - \$200,000  
 15178 Inverness St - \$330,000  
 15149 Norton St - \$265,000  
 1160 Oakes Bl - \$480,000  
 14239 Orchid Dr - \$280,000  
 215 Stoakes Av #B - \$405,000  
 2096 Strang Av - \$297,000  
 495 Superior Av - \$425,000  
 572 Thornton St - \$349,500  
 576 Thornton St - \$376,500  
 648 White Fir Dr - \$280,000

## SAN LORENZO

15921 Bayberry Ln - \$398,000  
 1328 Jacqueline Pl - \$230,000  
 15561 Lorenzo Av - \$345,000  
 664 Via Alamo - \$320,000  
 16075 Via Catherine - \$355,000  
 17104 Via Flores - \$305,000  
 17222 Via La Jolla - \$275,000  
 1620 Via Lucas - \$295,000  
 1539 Via Mesa - \$260,000  
 17121 Via Piedras - \$338,000  
 17561 Wickman Pl - \$220,000

## By the numbers

## ALAMEDA

TOTAL SALES: 4

LOWEST PRICE: \$245,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$520,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$417,500

## ALBANY

TOTAL SALES: 2  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$350,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$421,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$385,500

## BERKELEY

TOTAL SALES: 6  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$283,500  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$741,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$455,917

## BUENOS AIRES

TOTAL SALES: 3  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$440,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$555,000  
 MEDIAN PRICE: \$481,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$492,000

## EMERYVILLE

TOTAL SALES: 1  
 PRICE: \$305,000

## OAKLAND

TOTAL SALES: 50  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$75,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$930,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$336,990

## PIEDMONT

TOTAL SALES: 3  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$320,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$863,500  
 MEDIAN PRICE: \$862,500  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$682,000

## RICHMOND

TOTAL SALES: 9  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$125,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$470,000  
 MEDIAN PRICE: \$291,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$299,611

## SAN LEANDRO

TOTAL SALES: 20  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$178,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$570,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$328,850

## SAN LORENZO

TOTAL SALES: 11  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$220,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$398,000  
 MEDIAN PRICE: \$305,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$303,727

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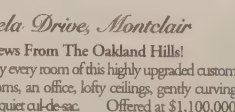
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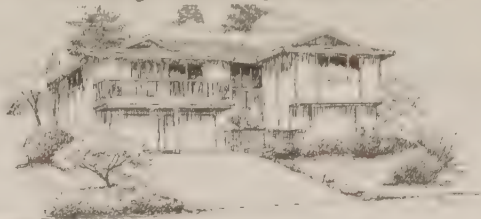
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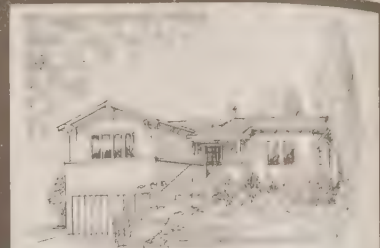
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#### WCR MEETING CHANGE

The Women's Council of Realtors East Bay Chapter monthly meeting date has changed from the second to the third Friday in April. This change is due to the Easter holiday and is for April only. The date is April 20 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The meeting move to a new location, Ark at Pier 29 on 29th Avenue in Oakland (at the foot of the Park Street Bridge). Guest Speaker **Donna Smith** of Real Estate Services will speak on "Networking: What's In It For Me?" For reservations call WCR President, **Denise Smith** of Royal Realtors at 510-261-1621.

#### LICENSE RENEWAL

The Oakland Association of Realtors is offering the Duane

Gomer Program "45 Hours Of DRE Tests In 1/2 Day." Renew your real estate license. Attend and earn all 45 DRE credit hours. The seminar includes Agency, Ethics, Trust Funds and Fair Housing. The seminar is planned for Wednesday, May 2nd. Watch this column for more details. To receive an informational flyer contact the OAR office at 510-836-3000.

#### HOMEBUYING EXPO

Cherry Creek Mortgage is looking for a few good real estate professionals to participate in their Real Estate Expo. This isn't your typical homebuyer's fair. Attendees will be prequalified before entering the expo. Only two real estate offices from each geographical location are invited. Prequalified buyers will be directed to a participating booth for their geographic area. Participants will showcase their listings. At least one closed transaction guaranteed. The Expo is Saturday, April 28th, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Oakland Coliseum. For further information contact **Monique Washington** of Cherry Creek Mortgage at 1-800-325-2062 x 258.

#### REAL ESTATE REUNION

Be a part of the Real Estate Old Timers Reunion Luncheon. The reunion started ten years ago and is the brainchild of **Bob Valva** of Valva Realty in Oakland. "It's an opportunity to get together with friends and industry acquaintances from the past," said Valva. Real estate agents and affiliates, from Berkeley, Oakland, Alameda and San Leandro aged fifty-five and over are invited. If you would like to be on the mailing list or receive more information call Valva at 510-451-7317.

#### MORTGAGE INDUSTRY MEETINGS

**Celebrate Cinco De Mayo** Upcoming in May is "Viva La Mexico" a Cinco De Mayo Social. Mark your calendars for May 3rd. This charity benefit event is for fun and networking. Refreshments include unlimited appetizers and four flavors of margaritas. The location is Celia's Restaurant in Danville. The celebration is from 6 to 9 p.m. For reservations call the CARL Hotline at 925-746-1847 or check out the Web site at [eastbaycarl.org](http://eastbaycarl.org). **CARL Golf Tourney** Upcoming in June is the CARL annual Golf Tournament. Mark your



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calendar for June 18 and watch this column for more details.

#### CAMB News

There is no meeting in April for the California Association of Mortgage Brokers East Bay Chapter. Check out the CAMB Hotline at 925-275-2663 for future events.

#### The Breakfast Club

The Wednesday Morning Breakfast Meetings are presented by the California Association of Residential Lenders (CARL). Join others in the industry to learn and share ideas. Meetings are held at American Title in Walnut Creek on Olympic boulevard. Things begin promptly at 8:15 a.m. with no need for reservations and a continental style breakfast. Upcoming speakers are on April 18 **Robert Murray** of Mpower Communications presenting "Cost Effective Uses of Voice and Data Systems." Call **Pat Johnson** of TRI Commercial Real Estate Services at 925-296-3300.

#### REALTISTS

##### Networking Breakfast

The Associated Real Property holds a networking breakfast the third Wednesday of every month. This month's breakfast is April 18 from 8 to 10 a.m. at the Oak Tree Grille on Embarcadero in Oakland. Agents are encouraged to bring flyers and market their properties. Call **Bridget Cain** of Fidelity National Title at 510-893-8100.

#### WHO'S ON FIRST?

New additions. **Larry Smith**, Alameda County Manager for First California Title Company announced new additions to FCT's San Lorenzo office. This new branch welcomes Branch Manager, **Anna Arvetis** and Escrow Assistant **Patricia Sunseri**. Arvetis and Sunseri can be reached by calling 510-276-4148.

#### CAN WE TALK?????

I need your information for this column. Deadline is the Friday before publication date. E-mail [bobbierid@dotplanet.com](mailto:bobbierid@dotplanet.com). Fax your info to me at 510-441-7191. Call me at 510-581-4080.

## Watch your step with this project

If you have plans to build a deck that will have more than one level or will be more than about 15 inches above the ground, you'll need stairs. Stairs can be one of the more challenging aspects of a deck-building project.

When building stairs, you not only need to be a good craftsman, but, in many cases, you also need to have a solid background in both math and geometry. However, as you will learn, not all stair-building projects need to be complicated.

There are many things to be considered before you build a set of stairs: The stair type (the layout or design); the "total rise" (the vertical distance from the origin of the stairs to the top surface); the "total run" (the horizontal distance that the stairs cover from the face of the first "tread" (the surface you set foot on) to the end of the last tread; and the construction method (how the stair parts are to be assembled).

Before running off to your local lumberyard to buy stair material, you'll need to know a few "stair" terms to make a material list. You already know that the element that you set foot on is called a "tread." "Stringers" support the treads. The "riser" is the vertical board that is located between treads — except in the case of "open-riser" stairs where, as the name implies, no riser is installed. The "landing" is an area at the bottom of, top of, or between flights of stairs. In the case of a deck, a landing can be large enough to be a "mini deck."

#### Popular style

Although the straight-stair type is among the most popular and easiest to construct, it is just one of many layouts. Open-riser ladder, L-shaped, T-shaped, U-shaped, switchback and winding are some of the others. You might employ one or more of these types depending upon the lay of the land and/or how elaborate your deck design is.

No sense in skipping when it comes to stair width. Not being small guys, we like stairs of ample width — no less than 36 inches and, in some cases, up to 48 inches. For safety's sake, building code requires that tread and riser dimensions are consistent for the length of the stairs. In general, code requires that a unit rise (the dimension from the face of one tread to the face of the next) not exceed 8 inches. Code also requires that the unit run (the dimension from the face of one riser to the face of the

next) not be less than 9 inches. Since codes can vary from location to location, it's a good idea to check with your local building department.

#### Comfort counts

Code aside, when designing stairs for comfort, a good rule of thumb is the sum of unit rise and unit run should be 17 to 18 inches.

Unless you like bouncy stairs, we suggest that you build them using three stringers — one at both ends and one in the middle. A stringer consists of one continuous piece of lumber that runs from one level to the next. Depending upon the desired appearance, a stringer can be cut or notched in a saw-tooth fashion or remain solid. If you will be using a cut stringer, you can cut it yourself or you can often find pre-cut stringers at your local lumberyard. In either case, the treads are nailed to the top edge of the stringer.

If you, like many folks, are afraid of making a mistake when cutting a perfectly good piece of wood with a cut stringer, a solid stringer might be the way to go. Instead of resting on the stringers, the treads are attached to cleats or metal brackets that are fastened to the stringers below the tread. Most do-it-yourselfers find it easiest to work with solid stringers because, instead of having to measure twice and cut once, all you need to do is measure twice.

#### On solid ground

To maintain the safety and stability of the stairs, it is imperative



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that the bottom of the stair stringers be placed on a solid, well-drained surface such as a pad of concrete or compacted gravel.

If the stringers consist of something other than pressure-treated lumber or redwood, a small piece of either type of this material should be used between the bottom of the stringer and the concrete or gravel to prevent rot.

The stringers should be anchored to the concrete pad using anchor bolts and a pressure-treated kicker or a galvanized angle iron bolted to the inside of the stringer. Risers and treads can be constructed from the same material used for decking.

When planning your deck stairs, don't forget to include a handrail. Though not always required by code, a handrail is practicable, it improves safety and appearance.

**Contractors Morris and James O. Carey can be heard Saturday mornings on KSFO 560 AM. Write the Carey Brothers, c/o the Associated Press, 50 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY 10020-1666. Their e-mail address is [careybro@onthehouse.com](mailto:careybro@onthehouse.com). Their Web site is at [www.onthehouse.com](http://www.onthehouse.com).**

## Alward Construction 2001 'Contractor of the Year'

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF THE REMODELING INDUSTRY

Berkeley's Alward Construction Company, in Berkeley, was named 2001 Contractor of the Year in the Residential Addition \$100,000-\$250,000 category. The 2001 Evening of Excellence capped a weeklong event for the National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI) that included its spring board of directors meeting and the RemodelAmerica Conference and Exposition.

Alward Construction is a residential remodeling contractor serving the East Bay, San Francisco and Marin Counties. Since it

began in 1979, the company has been specializing in quality residential remodeling and light commercial construction. All three of Alward's Construction's entries, one in the Entire House Category and two in the Residential Addition \$100,000-\$250,000 Category, won regional awards. This is the third time the company has won the prestigious Contractor of the Year award.

The Evening of Excellence, culminating with the Contractor of the Year (CoY) Awards ceremony, is widely considered the premier event of the year throughout the remodeling industry.

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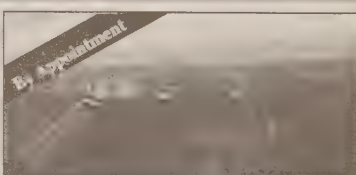
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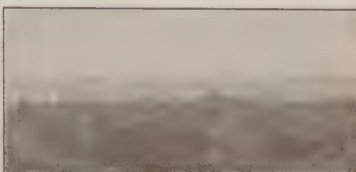
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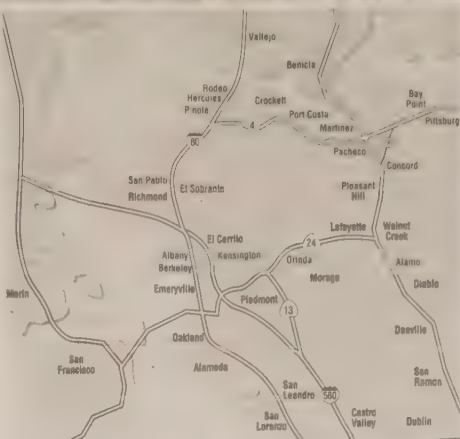
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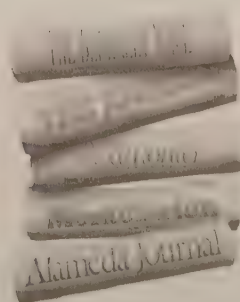
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The February 2001 Housing Affordability Index (HAI) stood at 35 percent, up one point from February 2000, according to C.A.R. "Over the last few months we've finally begun to see the impact of lower interest rates translate into an improvement in housing affordability," said C.A.R. President Gary Thomas. "The month-to-month affordability index has been increasing since October 2000."

C.A.R.'s monthly housing affordability index measures the percentage of households that can afford to purchase a median-priced home in California. C.A.R. also reports housing affordability indexes for regions and selected counties within the state. The index is the

most fundamental measure of housing well-being in the state.

At 11 percent, San Francisco remained the least affordable county in the state, followed by San Mateo at 14 percent and Contra Costa and Santa Cruz at 15 percent. For the San Francisco Bay Area, affordability was 18 percent. In Southern California, San Diego County was the least affordable at 25 percent, followed by Orange County at 28 percent and Ventura County at 37

percent. In Los Angeles County, affordability was 37 percent.

With housing affordability at 84 percent, the High Desert remains the most affordable region in the state.

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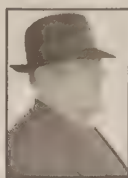
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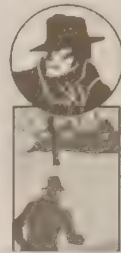
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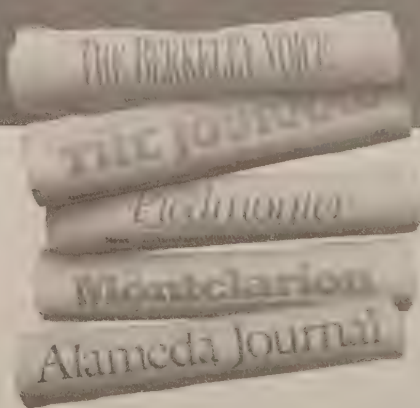
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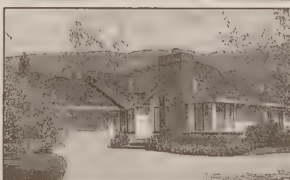
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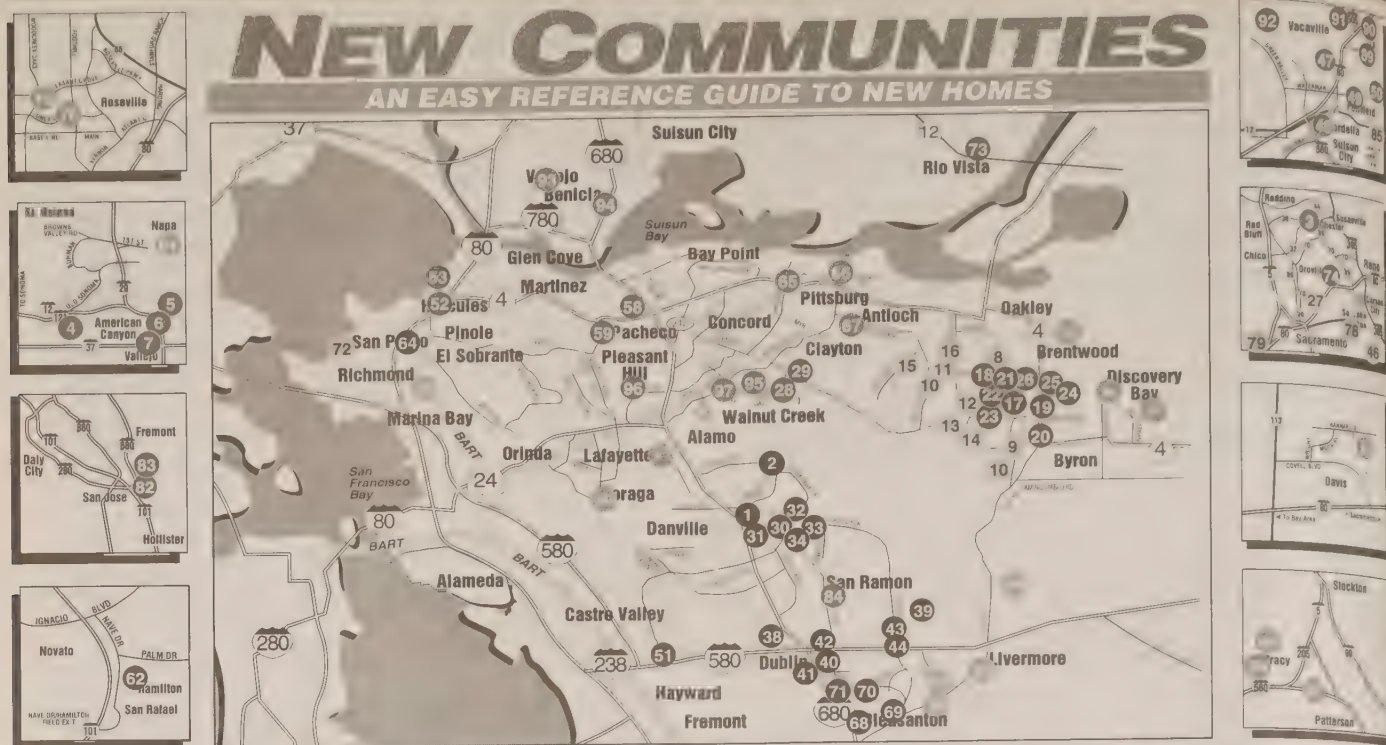
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# 30-year fixed-rate up for second week

## ■ 15-year fixed down

Freddie Mac's Primary Mortgage Market Survey, the 30-year fixed-rate mortgage averaged 7.01 percent, with an average cost of 0.9 point (1 point

equals 1 percent of the loan amount), for the week ending April 6. This bellwether rate rose 10 basis points from last week's average of 6.91 percent.

The average for the 15-year fixed-rate mortgage this week is 6.54 percent, with an average

cost of 1 point, unchanged from last week's average.

One-year Treasury-indexed adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs) averaged 6.23 percent this week, with an average cost of 1 point, up 4 basis points from last week's average of 6.19 percent.

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**A, Contemporary Triplex**  
Built in 1987 near Childrens Hospital, convenient to BART, transportation & shops, sits this handsome and efficient triplex. 2 Units have 3BR, & 2BA, & 1 unit has 4BR & 2BA. Good cash flow with potential for solid equity growth.  
Ronald Egberman ext. 127.....\$425,000



**Rockridge Gem!**  
Craftsman classic with wonderful large yard! 3BR, sunroom, 2BA, formal dining, beautiful condition. Large car garage!  
Bebe McRae ext. 145.....\$625,000

**Parkwoods 360 Caldecott Lane #103** \$15 K price reduction! Stunning 2BR, 2BA condo with custom upgrades & fabulous amenities!  
Tricia Swift ext. 140.....\$350,000

### BERKELEY



**Claremont Beauty!**  
Beautiful Mediterranean with 5BR, 4 full BA office/family room & studio/shop! Large lot! Views!  
Bebe McRae ext. 145.....\$1,195,000



**1018 Shattuck Ave**  
Best of N. Berkeley! Gracious prairie style home with beautiful interiors & a huge garden! 4+ BR, 3.5 BA.  
Linda Wolan ext. 123.....\$969,000



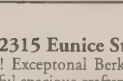
**1408 Arch Street**  
Glorious large traditional in green neighborhood! 3BR, 1.5BA, family room, remodeled kitchen. Bay Views! Deck, hot tub, decks!  
Susie Schevill ext. 144.....\$835,000



**Convenient Claremont!**  
Large 1975 home in a very special neighborhood! 5BR, 4BA, den, attached garage, fenced yard!  
Bebe McRae ext. 145.....\$750,000



**2501 Prince**  
A charming Colonial Revival duplex in Elmwood! Two spacious units with hardwood floors. Excellent location near Alta Bates, College Avenue & Rockridge BART.  
Annie Walrand ext. 146.....\$749,000



**2315 Eunice St.**  
New Listing! Exceptional Berkeley location. This wonderful spacious craftsman is situated walking distance to campus, BART, Rose Garden, Chez Panisse, & Walnut Square. 3+BR, 1.5BA. Sumptuous rear garden, lots of character!  
Ruth Frassetto ext. 147.....\$699,000



**Coming Attraction 2817 Ashby**  
**Craftsman home plus cottage!**  
Lovely 3+BR home with original woodwork & artist's 1BR cottage with vaulted ceilings, tiled floors, & loft Showings begin April 19.  
Bebe McRae ext. 145.....\$695,000



**1724 Cedar Street**  
Beautiful remodeled corner bungalow with many new systems & lots of light. 2BR suites, versatile, open floor plan. Pretty garden.  
Gini Erck ext. 133.....\$435,000



**Elmwood Craftsman Fixer**  
3069 Bateman  
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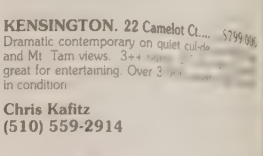
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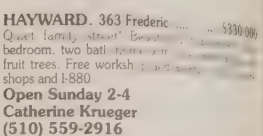
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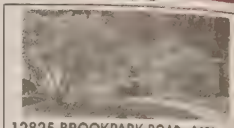
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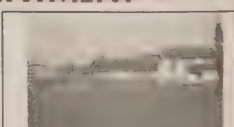


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## Panthers prowl prep fields, tracks

**Guy takes 300 hurdles, Warren the shotput at OAL Invitational**

By Marc Carig

BERKELEY — Hallel Guy was happy, mad and happy again — all in the space of 15 minutes.

Shortly after the St. Mary's High School track runner rallied to win the 300 meter hurdles during the Oakland Invitational at Cal's Edwards Stadium on Saturday, judges disqualified Guy.

Officials claimed Guy's violation came when he went around the fourth and fifth hurdles, instead of jumping straight over them.

"I hit the hurdle, man," Guy said to a nearby teammate. "That's messed up."

However, Panthers assistant coach Don Lawson saw it all through the viewfinder of his hand-held camcorder.

Lawson showed a track official the tape shortly after the race. By way of the impromptu instant replay, Guy was awarded the victory in 38.52.

"I'm all right," Guy said with a grin on his face. "I'm just mad they played with my emotions."

The disqualification would have ruined an exciting finish. Guy had the lead in the race until he hit the fourth hurdle, allowing Sheldon's Trac Gaulman to take the lead.

However, Gaulman ran into some problems of his own. He hit the seventh hurdle on the home stretch, allowing Guy to pull away with the win.

"I let him come ahead," Guy said. "I knew I had enough left to get him."

### Prep track and field

St. Mary's claimed both the boys' and girls' titles at the OAL Invitational Relays.



STEVE MASLANKA/STAFF

ST. MARY'S KAMAIYA WARREN swept the shotput and discus at the OAL Invitational Relays at Edwards Stadium on April 7. Below, the Panthers' Hallel Guy charged ahead of the pack to claim the boys' 300 meter hurdles.

Much like Guy, the St. Mary's team endured an up-and-down meet. The meet is St. Mary's final tune-up for Arcadia Invitational, one of the most prestigious prep track and field meets in the nation.

St. Mary's Kamaiya Warren was true to form with victories in the girls shot put and discus with throws of 44 feet, 5 inches and 133 feet, respectively.

"In the shot put, I was pretty happy," Warren said. "I don't think I did that good with the discus. I could do better."

The Panthers also fared well in several relay events.

However the St. Mary's boys triple jumpers were upset by De La Salle's Peter Frances, who finished first with a jump of 45-2.

"We didn't think the triple jump performance went particularly well," St. Mary's head coach Jay Lawson said. "Maybe we were looking ahead to Arcadia or still thinking about (last week's) Stanford Invitational. We'll definitely talk about our focus."



**Horowitz, Bei alone in 1,600; Panthers run away with titles**

By Mike McGreehan and Scott Strain

STAFF WRITERS

BERKELEY — During the prep cross country season last fall, Sara Bei of Montgomery High School of Santa Rosa served as a kind of measuring stick for Berkeley's Clara Horowitz, who attends Head-Royce School. Though the two runners generally competed in different divisions in all their major meets, Horowitz often measured her performance against that of Bei, who went on to a fourth straight state cross-country title for her division before capturing the Foot Locker Nationals in Orlando, Fla.

On Saturday, Bei and Horowitz went head-to-head in the 22nd Oakland Invitational Relays girls 1,600 meter event at Edwards Stadium. The race was what everyone had hoped — and more.

Horowitz, generally more comfortable on the trails than the track, ran well to place second. But the Stanford-bound Bei was in a league of her own, quashing the rest of the field in a meet-record 4 minutes, 48.3 seconds.

"I don't get discouraged when she beats me," said Horowitz, who completed the race in a respectable 5:00.7. "You just try to hang with her. I'm happy."

On a larger scale, St. Mary's High won both the boys and girls team titles. The Panthers boys had 58 points; James Logan was second with 46. The Panther girls had a tougher time; they finished with 74 points while Edison-Huntington Beach had 72½.

Kamaiya Warren was St. Mary's top star, winning both the girls discus and shot put. Warren had some competition in the former, but wasn't pushed that much in the latter.

Warren won the discus with a throw of 133 feet, edging Sabrina Kirkwood of Mercy-San Fran-

cisco who finished second at 132-10. Warren had an easier time in the shot, putting a throw of 44-5. Kirkwood was second at 41-2.

Danielle Stokes of St. Mary's and Ashley Lodree of El Cerrito finished 3-4 in the girls' 100 hurdles, an event won by Undine Becker of Mt. Pleasant-San Jose in 14.43. Stokes finished in 14.60 and Lodree in 14.65.

Stokes felt she did not have a good race in her primary event.

"This wasn't my best race," she said. "I let up the last few hurdles. I don't know why."

Said Lodree: "I'm just really getting into it, right now. I haven't spent a lot of time running. I'm just trying to get in shape. I'd like to go 13.9. My best so far is 14.1."

On the boys side, St. Mary's won both the 800 relay and 1,600 medley relay.

No single event, though, matched the girls 1,600. While the rest of the events moved along at a snail's pace through many heats, the 1,600 presented its cream of the crop very quickly.

Horowitz ran all alone in second place, but Bei set a blistering pace. Bei not only dominated the race, but smashed the previous record set by Santa Rosa's Julia Stamps in 1997. Stamps ran that race in 4:51.5.

"She's just at a level that's higher than me," Horowitz said of Bei.

Perhaps as a senior next season, Horowitz will have reached the level where Bei is now. In the meantime, however, the Montgomery senior remains the pacesetter for prep distance running in California — and beyond.

In any other race, Horowitz surely would have dominated. But compared to Bei, the Head-Royce junior labored. Perhaps it was because the Montgomery senior made it look so easy.

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## Short-handed 'Jackets handed loss by Hornets

**With just four starters on board, 'Jackets fall in 4 1/2**

By Curtis Elliott

CORRESPONDENT

The Alameda Hornets took advantage of a shorthanded opponent in defeat the Berkeley Yellow-

jackets, 12-1. Hitting, pitching and fielding all came together for Alameda

last Friday, as they won a five-inning contest aided by the 10-run rule.

When you lose a game 12-1 you can claim your team basically didn't show up, but in the case of Berkeley that literally was the case.

"Today I only had four starters," Berkeley coach Elena Bermeo said. "(With) today's junior prom, and with the rain ... it was raining heavily in Berkeley so all the (varsity) girls left. I went there and I only had two varsity players."

"We worked too hard for this. Alameda played Pinole and Pinole beat Alameda by one. We hung in with Pinole for 15 innings and they beat us (the whole varsity) by one, so that shows you what we can do."

The only varsity players who played for the Yellow-jackets were Amanda Jew, Al-

ice Brugger, Violet Lehrer and pitcher Sara Gibbs.

Alameda batted around twice in scoring five runs in the second, then pushed across five more runs in the fourth.

The second time through the order was all that the Hornets needed against Yellow-jacket starter and loser Gibbs.

After scoring two runs without a hit in the first inning, Alameda's bats came to life in the second. Heather Pipkin singled with one out.

Then came the game-breaker. Christina Tuazon hit a double-play grounder to short. Jasmine Jew flipped to second for the force, but the ball was dropped. A walk to Nancy Finney loaded the bases.

Meghan Pipkin singled in one run and Allie Musso singled in another. Pitcher Stefani Keenan lined a two-run single to left, bringing in two more runs to make it 6-0 in favor of Alameda. Erin Poole singled home a seventh run, the fifth of the inning.

Keenan was very dominant for Alameda, as the senior pitcher worked five innings of two-hit ball, whiffing six and only allowing just one ball to be hit out of the infield.

"My rise ball was on today," Keenan said. "And we warmed up real well because the other team went to the wrong field, so the game started late and we got extra practice."

Every player in Alameda's lineup, except one, got at least one hit. Heather Brown singled and scored after coming in off



KATHY BAKER/STAFF

BERKELEY'S SARA GIBBS pitched well against the Alameda Hornets on April 6, but the Hornets came away with the win.

the bench. Kelly Lowe came in to catch and drew a walk and came around to score as Alameda got help from multiple sources.

Alameda established the 10-run margin by batting around and scoring five more runs in the fourth inning.

Keenan reached on an error and Poole singled. A wild pitch advanced the runners into scoring position and Jenna Dierking singled them both home.

Another wild pitch brought

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## St. Mary's blocked in BSAL

Scott Strain

STAFF WRITER

OAKLAND — The St. Joseph Notre Dame boys volleyball

teams continues to roll on undefeated in the Bay Shore Athletic League after defeating Kennedy (Richmond)

in five sets Monday afternoon. Right now, the other schools are just floundering around, looking for the right combinations and jockeying for positions in the BSAL playoffs, which begin May 8.

This is what St. Elizabeth was looking for against St. Mary's on a rainy Friday afternoon. This day they got it, defeating the Panthers 15-7, 5-15, 15-3, 15-6 to go 5-4 in the BSAL. St. Mary's is 1-8 and is along for the experience.

"There is no real dominant team in the league right now," Mustangs coach Roy Ching said. "Not even St. Joe. They (the Pilots) are a little more consistent, that's all."

What St. Mary's lacked in this match was a bench. When middle blocker Greg DeLaTorre went down with an ankle injury late in the first game, coach Trudi Herbert was there all by her lonesome. And her eligibility has run out years ago.

DeLaTorre was injured with St. Elizabeth holding a 9-7 lead and promptly ran off the next six points for a 15-7 victory. St. Mary's was having trouble handling Stephen Nunes and David Nettles, the Mustangs' two big hitters, who seemed to be all over the court.

But this is the BSAL, and any team not named St. Joseph is battling consistency problems. So it was with St. Elizabeth. The

### Prep boys' volleyball

St. Liz	3
St. Mary's	1



STEVE MASLANKA/STAFF

ALEX WONG of St. Mary's spiked the ball past a pair of St. Elizabeth defenders April 6. The Panthers fell to the Mustangs 3-1.

Panthers took advantage of numerous errors and got aced from Andy Accacion and Alex Wong to forge an 8-1 lead in the second game. The Mustangs scored the next three points, but the Mustangs scored the next seven and won 15-5.

"I think we have improved," Accacion said. "I think it's just cutting down on the stupid errors. As for me, I was hitting the net a lot. I only did that once or twice today, but both those times I was going after a ball. I was giving that extra effort."

The best thing St. Mary's had

going for it was Accacion and Steven Altemus, the Panthers two biggest players, were moving around and making some plays.

"We have improved, but we lost a player (DeLaTorre) today," Herbert said. "We are training two players now who have played other sports, so we have a little bit to look forward to there."

"We been doing better; we just need to get it all together. (Steve) Altemus and (Andy) Accacion are easily the two most improved

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# Ravera 2nd at USGWA meet

STAFF REPORT

Christie Ravera of Berkeley High School, who won the U.S. Girls Wrestling Association California state championship at 140 pounds, went to the USGWA National in Michigan two weekends ago and enjoyed a fine tournament.

Ravera, a junior, took second in the tournament — a year after taking third as a sophomore. Next year, she'll look to take another step up to first.

But so much for looking ahead. This year, Ravera wrestled in a highly skilled and competitive weight class. And she represented her school and home town well.

Ravera's finals opponent was a senior, a state champion from Maine. The match was close — nip and tuck and down to the wire.

The Maine wrestler from

Maine entered the match with a record of over 60 varsity wins. At Berkeley High, only Dashiell DeMarco and Marcus Glass had over 60 varsity wins in recent 'Jackets' history. So Ravera had her hands full with this opponent.

Nonetheless, the Yellowjackets junior held her own. Despite the loss, Ravera was not taken down in the match. In fact, no opponent has scored a takedown on Ravera in two seasons, a streak that continues.

Ravera entered the tournament as the third seed. She enjoyed a strong first day of competition, yielding just two points in three matches.

Ravera won her first match 7-2, then pinned her opponent in the second match. Ravera advanced to the quarterfinals, where she scored a shutout.

## Relays

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Bei took command of the race from the start. Horowitz, for her part, got boxed in. She had to break through a gaggle of other competitors before emerging clearly into second place. Once Horowitz broke clear, however, second place was all hers.

"Usually, when something like that (getting boxed in) happened last year, I would panic," Horowitz said. "But now I don't. It's actually beneficial because when I get boxed in, it keeps me from going out too fast."

For Horowitz, Bei, and all others who ran, the race served as a tune-up for this weekend's prestigious Arcadia Invitational. "I'm just so anxious to PR," Horowitz said. "It's so early and I'm still waiting for that breakthrough race. Maybe I'll have it at Arcadia."

**Post meet:** **TRADE WINDS:** Strong winds and cool temperatures were both a blessing and curse for those competing. On the plus side, the weather never got stiflingly hot for the competitors. In some cases, though, runners found themselves heading into a strong wind.

Though Horowitz has yet to run her best race in the 1,600 this year, her performance Saturday was satisfying given the conditions.

"I was all by myself in the wind," she said. "I guess I'm pretty satisfied with that. You could definitely feel the wind coming into the last 200 meters of each lap."

Though Horowitz might not have run the best race of her career, her performance still was an improvement of sorts.

"Last year at this time I wasn't in this kind of shape," she said.

Given her performance, Horowitz appears to have a strong upside for the rest of the season.

The windy and often overcast conditions also were not conducive to records. Only two meet records fell. Besides Bei's record run, Veronica Garcia of Newark Memorial set a new record in the girls pole vault at 11 feet.

**NOT IN THE PROGRAM:** Horowitz was not listed among those set to compete in the 1,600. She was, however, listed for the 3,200. Horowitz decided to compete in the former and did not run the longer distance.

**ALSO AT ARCADIA:** Stokes will run both the 100 and 300 hurdles at Arcadia Invitational Saturday. She was supposed to run against Ashanti Ellis of Skyline here in the 100 hurdles, but Ellis got hurt in the triple jump at the Stanford Invitational. The two had a scintillating duel down on The Farm, with Ellis winning in 14.36. Stokes was second in 14.43.

**IN OTHER EVENTS:** The Berkeley quartet of Traci Estell, Rebecca Payne, Katrina Keith and T'Carra Pennick finished second to James Logan in the sprint medley relay (100, 100, 200, 400) in 1:50.1. Barely edging St. Mary's, which was third in 1:50.36. The Colts, anchored by Cherie Craddock, won in 1:46.30. The Yellowjackets were right there until the final leg.

Payne ran her heart out in the second leg. "I had to catch up to everybody else and get the lead. I passed two people and got us in a good position," Payne said.

It came at a price, however. Payne pulled a thigh muscle and was hurting the rest of the meet. Berkeley coach Darrell Hampton, trying to restore the Berkeley program to '80s greatness, also lost his top hurdler to a broken ankle in a dual meet a week ago Thursday.

"We're trying to build a program with everybody, not just with my sprinters," said Hampton, whose top girls have been known to follow him from school to school. "Today I'm just patching things together."

"I was just afraid that if I went too fast, I would get passed again," Pennick said. "I was basically trying to run a smart race. I didn't want to burn out and cost my team. Whatever happened, I was planning on kicking at the end. Basically, I was just trying to run smart."

Also doing well for St. Mary's was Quiana Plump in the long jump (second, 17-10), Tiffany Johnson in the triple jump (third, 37-7½), Solomon Welch in the triple jump (second, 44-10½), and Jason Bolden-Anderson in the 110 hurdles (third, 14.89). Monique Coleman of El Cerrito finished fifth in the 100 in 12.11.

Chris Dunbar of St. Mary's finished second in the boys 400. Dunbar ran 49.89. Obi Osuji of Red Bluff won the event in 49.84.

"I got out cold," said Dunbar. "I was just trying to finish. I wasn't concerned about my time. I'm far ahead of where I was last season."

# Panthers in swing at plate

By Phil Jensen

STAFF WRITER

**BERKELEY** — The St. Mary's High School baseball team sent a message to the rest of the Bay Shore Athletic League squads Wednesday.

Watch

The Panthers have found their groove offensively, and produced their second straight double-digit game in an 11-6 victory over John Swett.

"I always thought, from the beginning of the year, this is the kind of team we could be," said St. Mary's coach Andy Shimabukuro, whose team beat Kennedy 13-10 on Tuesday.

St. Mary's (9-8, 5-2 BSAL) produced 15 hits Wednesday, including six extra-base hits. The Panthers broke the game open in the bottom of the fifth inning with

five straight hits and five runs. John Swett (12-5, 5-3 BSAL) trailed just 4-2 entering the bottom of the fifth, retired the first two St. Mary's batters. But Joe Stormo's doubled to left-center, pinch runner Francis Lupatich scored on Jeff Marshall's solo single.

Tom Carman crushed a two-run home run to deep center, and Ryo Bahado-Singh lined a double down the left-field line. Omar Young slammed another homer to deep center for a 9-2 lead.

"I knew it was gone. Today the wind was blowing on base, and there," said Young, who is the center fielder for the Panthers.

Young, a senior, finished 3-for-4 with two runs, two hits and a RBI. Rick Flores, Phillip Villa and Steven Dellacruz each had two hits for John Swett.

■ **EL CERRITO** — Umiel Mejia went 3-for-3 with three runs to lead El Cerrito (6-7, 3-2 CAL) to a 10-8 victory.

## Prep baseball

St. Mary's 11  
Swett 6

## STANDINGS

### Baseball

#### PREP

#### Alameda-Contra Costa Ath. League

	W	L	GB
Berkeley	3	0	½
El Cerrito	2	1	1
Alameda	2	1	1
De Anza	2	2	1½
Encinal	2	3	2
Pinole Valley	1	2	2
Richmond	0	5	4

Wednesday's results  
El Cerrito 10, Pinole Valley 8  
Alameda 8, Encinal 7, 12 inn.  
De Anza 5, Richmond 2

#### Bay Shore Athletic League

	W	L	GB
St. Mary's	5	2	—
John Swett	5	3	½
Salesian	4	2	½
Albany	4	2	½
Piedmont	4	1	1
St. Patrick	3	3	1½
St. Joseph	2	4	2½
Kennedy	1	4	3
St. Elizabeth	0	6	4½

Wednesday's results  
St. Mary's 11, John Swett 6  
Albany 7, St. Joseph 6

### Softball

#### PREP

#### Alameda-Contra Costa Ath. League

	W	L	GB
Pinole Valley	4	0	—
Alameda	3	1	1
Encinal	3	2	1½
Berkeley	2	2	2
El Cerrito	1	3	3
De Anza	1	3	3
Richmond	1	4	3½

Wednesday's results  
De Anza 14, Richmond 8  
Alameda 8, Encinal 1  
Pinole Valley 16, El Cerrito 2

#### Bay Shore Athletic League

	W	L	GB
Holy Names	6	0	—
John Swett	7	1	—
Piedmont	4	1	1½
Salesian	4	1	1½
St. Patrick	3	3	3
Albany	2	3	3½
St. Mary's	3	4	3½
St. Joseph	1	5	5
St. Elizabeth	1	6	5½
Kennedy	0	7	6½

## Panthers

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players this year and they've never played before this year."

The last two games were nothing to write home to Berkeley about. St. Elizabeth ran out to a 13-1 lead in the third game

and a 10-1 margin in the fourth. Accacian had a block for a point and Gary Lai and Wong each had kills for points. After that, there was very little but hope for the future.

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## Berkeley

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in a third run, before Nancy Finney doubled home the final two to make it 12-1 in favor of the home team.

**Post game:** **STATS** ... Meghan Pipkin reached base three times for Alameda and scored two runs ... Musso had two RBI ... Poole had a pair of hits and the same number of runs batted in.

Berkeley's only run came in their final at bat, in the fifth inning. Lehrer singled with one out. Back-to-back errors brought in the unearned run, before Keenan retired Jew on a bouncer to earn the run-shortened victory.

**OUTTA HERE** ... Bruggier, Berkeley's catcher and third-place hitter was the only Yellowjacket to hit the ball out of the infield, as she doubled in the first inning but was left stranded.

The only other hit was by Lehrer, who also walked. The only other walk went to Gailin Drulis, who started at first base in the game, but later came in to pitch.

**LONG WEEK** ... Berkeley had a back-breaking week. Playing against two of the better teams in the league in Pinole and Alameda, the Yellowjackets lasted 15 in-

nings before losing to Pinole.

Then came Friday's loss against Alameda with a junior varsity-laden unit that was not able to overcome the severe handicap.

Berkeley is now 2-2 in league play and 7-5 overall, after losing both games last week. They lost a 2-1 game to Pinole Valley in 15 innings. In the 15th, a single and two stolen bases put Cheri Miller of Pinole Valley on third.

Heather Priebe walked. When she attempted to steal second, the throw went through as Miller came home with the winning run.

## LABEL HEAD

### Mavs soccer tryouts

The ACCYSL Mavericks Select Soccer Team will hold tryouts for boys and girls through April 29. The girls' tryouts will be at Fielding and Gabe fields on Fifth Street near Gilman in Berkeley. The boys' tryouts will be held on the same fields, as well as Booker T. Anderson field in Richmond, Cypress Avenue near 47th Street.

■ Under-15 girls: April 22, 10 a.m. at Fielding; Sunday, April 29, 3 p.m. at Gabe-West.

■ Under-16 girls: Sunday, April 22, noon a.m. at Fielding.

■ Under-17/19 girls: Sunday, April 22, noon at Fielding; Sunday, April 29, 1 p.m. at Gabe-West.

■ Under-15 boys: Sunday, April 22, 1 p.m. at Gabe-West; Sunday, April 29, 3 p.m. at Gabe-West.

■ Under-16 boys: Sunday, April 22, 3 p.m. at Gabe-West; Sunday, April 29, 9 a.m. at BT Anderson.

■ Under-17 boys: Sunday, April 22, 3 p.m. at Gabe-West; Sunday, April 29, 11 a.m. at BT Anderson.

■ Under-18/19 boys: Sunday, April 22, 5 p.m. at Gabe-West; Sunday, April 29, 1 p.m. at BT Anderson.

For more information, turn to the Mavericks' Web site <http://www.accysl.org>. Or call the Mavericks at (510) 655-8500.

The Mavericks program, which competes in the fall, has been drawing players from the

East Bay since 1989. The program fields 19 teams in age brackets from under-11 through under-19.

### Albany sports

There will be a sports awareness night in Albany on April 25. To be held at Ocean View Elementary School, 1000 Jackson at 7 p.m., local dignitaries will be speaking.

### Swimming

The El Cerrito Gators year-round youth swim team is open to swimmers 5-18 who can swim one length of the pool. The Gators' program emphasizes fitness, teamwork and offers opportunities for healthy competition. The club accommodates all levels of swimmers and focuses on perfecting technique, improving endurance and increasing speed. Swimmers and parents are encouraged to meet the coaches and try out one day at no charge. Monthly cost is \$41 per swimmer. Monthly family rates are \$62 for two swimmers and \$83 for three. For information, call 215-4375.

The Silver Dolphin Swim Club, a new U.S. Swimming-affiliated team, is recruiting swimmers ages 5-18. Practices and home meets take place in the new indoor pool at the Richmond Swim Center. Practices are held in the afternoons Monday through Friday. For more information, call 528-8227 or 524-

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# Arts



BILL MANN  
Multimedia Notes

## Friday the 13th media roundup

The China/U.S. airplane story is a tough one for television to cover, because there are few if any fresh pictures. And TV lives and dies by pictures. We've mentioned the old TV newswriter's axiom I picked up while working at KTVU before, but it bears repeating:

"If you're going to say 'That's water under the bridge,' a veteran CBS reporter once noted, 'You'd better show water, and you damned well better show a bridge.'"

Absent the pictures, TV has been forced into doing a lot of analysis on the air-incident story. Last Saturday night, for example, ABC's "World News Tonight" even used a "Reporter's Notebook" technique, a worthwhile idea of letting the network's reporters in China give personal observations on the diplomatic impasse.

Meanwhile, CBS-TV's Barry Peterson, the network's S.F. bureau chief before he was dispatched to Moscow in 1987, said President Bush's "no-apologies" initial statement was seen as "arrogant" to many in the powerful Chinese military. But ABC-TV's man in Beijing, Mark Litke, noted, "China's business interests will probably prevail, because business does more than the military to keep China strong."

Peterson's report was echoed on KGO Radio this week by "Good Morning America" host Charles Gibson, who, when asked by former colleague Spencer Christian for any insights on the Hainan incident, said, "I think President Bush came on too strong with his initial hard-line statement that the U.S. would offer no apologies. He painted himself into a corner." Good point.

When the U.S. fliers are eventually released (which could happen by the time you read this), it's pretty clear that any propaganda advantage the Chinese may think they have (the Communists, not surprisingly, must think it's the 1950s and the Cold War) will quickly evaporate when the American air crew tells the world what really happened.

A preview of this came from James Lovell, outspoken former U.S. Ambassador to China, who told CBS-TV, "We have a clear case of a ginned-up Chinese pilot pulling a reckless stunt that cost him his life and created a major international incident." I'm a pilot, and the idea that a highly maneuverable jet could be hit by a lumbering beast like the American EP-3E Aries II reconnaissance craft is ridiculous. (And don't write — I'm not a hardliner, nor did I vote for Bush).

And, speaking of that aircraft, KRON's Pete Wilson made a good point on his KGO radio talk show: That local radio and TV stations (KCBS is one) should stop referring to the U.S. aircraft as a "spy plane." It's not, and the difference is more than semantics or political ideology; it's a matter of accuracy: The U-2, Wilson noted on KGO, was a spy plane — it flew over hostile territory on clandestine missions. The EP-3E is a reconnaissance plane, gathering information in international airspace.

Now THAT's cheap! Pleasant Channel 7 weatherman Christian, who's new at the radio game, is turning into a decent talk host on KGO. He couldn't resist during his interview with Gibson kidding the "GMA" host about his (Gibson's) legendary frugality — Charlie apparently throws nickels around like manhole covers, in Dorothy Parker's famous words.

"One time someone actually saw you open your change purse," Christian kidded his old buddy, "and I heard that all the Abraham Lincolns inside were screaming — they hadn't seen the sun in so long." Gibson chuckled.

A good guy: I was sorry to hear of the passing of Pirates' slugger Willie Stargell this week. The big man who grew up in Oakland and Alameda was known to routinely help a lot of people, and he was instrumental in assisting me, too.

As a young sportswriter in Montreal in the early '70s, I as-

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## 'Josie' throws a hairball trying to score message

■ Product-placement plot and weight concerns wax hypocritical in teen flick

By Mary F. Pols  
STAFF WRITER

**J**OSIE AND THE PUSSYCATS is as high-pitched as a slumber party, filled with shrieking representing every emotion from joy to adoration to consternation.

Maybe that's why I wanted to call my mother and have her take me home early.

The old Archie-comic-turned-TV-cartoon series has been turned into living, breathing stick figures (more on that later). Teen star Rachael Leigh Cook ("She's All That") is Josie, Rosario Dawson ("Down to You") is bass player Val, and Tara Reid ("American Pie") plays latter-day flower

### MOVIE REVIEW

■ **WHAT:** 'Josie and the Pussycats'

■ **STARRING:** Rachael Leigh Cook, Tara Reid, Rosario Dawson, Alan Cumming, Parker Posey

■ **RATING:** PG-13 (for language and sensuality)

■ **RUNNING TIME:** 1 hour, 33 minutes

■ **WHERE:** Opened Wednesday at area theaters

■ **GRADE:** C-

child Melody, the drummer. The trio, who've been getting no encouragement during their gigs at the local Riverdale bowling alley, are discovered by Mega Records music manager Wyatt Frame (Alan Cumming) and cat-

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MEET THE PUSSYCATS: Melody (Tara Reid), left, Josie (Rachael Leigh Cook) and Val (Rosario Dawson).

## UC Berkeley opens museums, labs and offers array of activities for Cal Day

**BERKELEY** — Let a tarantula crawl on your hand, listen to a lecture by a Nobel Prize winner, or plan your next mission to Mars at Cal Day, the annual open house for the University of California, Berkeley, to be held this year on Saturday, April 21, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The free open house annually attracts over 30,000 visitors.

Attendees can dig for fossils at a mock archeological dig, rapel down a building or, for the energy conscious, take a tour of UC Berkeley's power co-generation plant to see how the campus turns waste heat into useful electricity.

A highlight this year will be a talk given by professor Daniel McFadden, winner of the 2000

Nobel Prize in economics, on how economics relates to our everyday choices. Other Cal Day faculty lectures include neuroscientist Corey Goodman on "how the brain gets wired up" and civil engineer James Rector on modern-day methods of searching for buried treasure.

Prospective students of any age can drop by the new "Kindergarten to College" resource fair, organized to help students and their families prepare for college, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Dwinelle Plaza. Residence halls and student facilities will be open for tours between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Newly admitted students and their families are invited to meet Chancellor Robert M. Berdahl at Haas Pavilion at 8:30 a.m. and

enjoy information sessions on academic programs, financial aid, housing and other campus services.

Visitors can also explore UC Berkeley museums for free. Meet T. Rex and tour the Museum of Paleontology from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., or bring the kids to "Family Day — Arts 2001" at the UC Berkeley Art Museum from 11 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. for a day of music, storytelling, and art-making workshops. Browse art collections that are seldom open to the public.

Sports-minded visitors can start off with a fun run around the campus to benefit Bay Area youth organizations at 8 a.m., or take in a men's tennis match at noon or a women's lacrosse

game at 2 p.m.

Visitors who like space travel are invited to check out the Mars space suit, robotic devices and experimental equipment on display at the Mission to Mars station in Dwinelle Plaza between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

At the Space Sciences Lab, researchers will offer guided tours of the ground station for the HESSI satellite, which will be launched later this year to study solar flares and space weather.

From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., visitors will see traditional and cultural dances performed at "ShowTime on Sprout."

Campus guests can drop by the Celebration of Children's Lit-

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### ARTS BEAT

#### Grammy-winning guitarist playing in Crowden benefit

**BERKELEY** — Grammy-winning classical guitarist Sharon Isbin performing benefit concert for Crowden Sharon Isbin, the first woman ever to receive a Grammy for classical guitar, and the first classical guitarist to win a Grammy in 28 years, will make a rare Bay Area appearance when she appears in a benefit concert for The Crowden School and Crowden Center for Music in the Community on Sunday, April 22.

The Celebration of Spring concert is at St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Avenue, in Berkeley, at 4 p.m. General admission tickets are \$30; \$20 for seniors and ages 18 and under. Patrons of \$200 or more are invited to attend a post-concert dinner with the artist at the home of composer John Adams and photographer Deborah O'Grady. Call 510-559-6910.

#### Symphony musicians perform at church

**BERKELEY** — Chamber Music Sundae will present San Francisco Symphony musicians in a concert at 3:15 p.m. April 15 at St. John Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave.

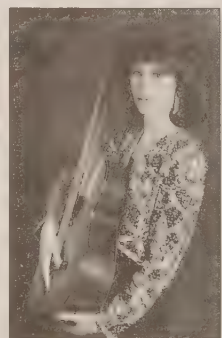
The program includes Brahms's F major Sonata for cello and piano, featuring principal cellist Michael Grebanier; Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No. 6; and the Schumann Piano Quintet.

Tickets at the door are \$16 general admission, \$13 for seniors and students and \$7 for youths under 18. For information, call 415-584-5946.

#### Moose Lodge gets jazzed with Jubilee

**OAKLAND** — The Jubilee Jazz Band will perform on April 15 at the Moose Lodge, 690 Hegenberger Road.

The program, presented by the New Orleans Jazz Club of



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**CLASSICAL GUITARIST**  
Sharon Isbin performs at a benefit concert April 22 for Crowden School.

Northern California, will be 1:30-5:15 p.m.

Bay Area musicians include Lynn Hall, trombone; Jerry Jones, clarinet; Peter Allen, bass; Don Ryckman, banjo; Red

Thomas, piano; Hugh O'Donnell, drums; Jim Gammon, trumpet; and vocalist Jackie Hall.

Admission is \$10. Call 510-531-7024 or 415-661-9893.

#### Asking the musical question, 'Isn't it Romantic?'

**BERKELEY** — Not everyone agrees with Rodgers and Hart. Come hear how various composers through the ages view the plight of the lovelorn at a pair of concerts being presented by Bella Musica on Saturday, April 28 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, April 29 at 4 p.m. at St. Joseph the Worker Church 1640 Addison St. (at Mc Gehee).

From the ardent exclamations of Morley's "Fire, Fire" to the intoxication of the "Coolin'" by Samuel Barber, the just plain fun of Haydn's "Harmony in Marriage," Ravel's heroine who chose money over true love or Duke Ellington's "Sophisticated Lady"

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## Shotgun Players salute Bard and Williams

**T**HE EVER-INNOVATIVE and provocative Shotgun Players are getting ready to fire off a couple of shells from their Black Box Productions unit. The double-barreled blast consists of "Slings & Arrows: Love Stories from Shakespearean Tragedie" and "Blue Roses."

If these sound like borrowings — with the usual Shotgun twists, of course — bingo and cigars all around. The first blends original text excerpts from the Bard with Black Box improvisation and original music.

The second title is a bit trickier to decipher. The original title of the second show was "The Glass Tear" because it was influenced by Tennessee Williams' classic drama, "The Glass Menagerie."

"Menagerie" is still the emotional springboard, but the name was changed to "Blue Roses" to identify the piece more closely with the central character of Laura. Her nick-



JACK TUCKER  
Community Theater

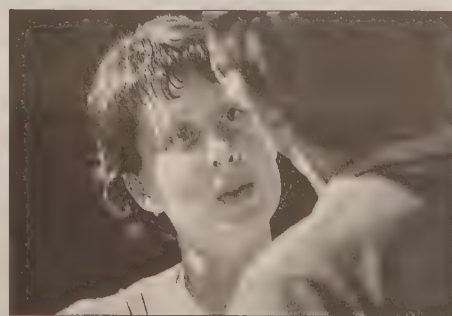
name was "Blue Roses."

Thanks to Rebecca Goodberg for straightening us out on this switch. The change also hints at the care Shotgun Players and its young Black Box Productions offspring take to stamp their offerings with insightful and often unexpected nuances.

The double bill at La Val's Subterranean Theatre, 1834 Euclid Ave., Berkeley, begins previews at 7 p.m. April 19 and 20. The shows play together after the opening April 21 at 7 p.m. Thursdays through Sundays until the final performance May 5.

Tickets are \$10. Call 510-655-0813.

"Slings & Arrows" is written



NORBERT VAN DER GRIENEN/STAFF  
**DIANINHA "MOLLY" POMEROY**, left, plays "Maria" and Ken Ray plays "Capt. von Trapp" during the rehearsal for the "Sound of Music" at Contra Costa Civic Theatre in El Cerrito.

and directed by Goodberg and developed by the ensemble. Six characters inspired by Shakespearean mates who — and the best way to continue the description is to quote Mary Eaton Fairfield — "drop into an elastic purgatory and bounce off the

walls (into each other)."

It hardly seems necessary to add, as the announcement puts it, "performances will vary each night ..." Different colored Band-Aids perhaps?

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### EVENTS

**REI Berkeley** — through April 26 "Exploring Grand Staircase: Escalante National Monument." April 19, 7 p.m. A slide show by Liz Hyman's panoramic photographer about the making of "Heart of the Desert Wild," her recent collaboration with author Greer Chesser on the Grand Staircase: Escalante, a place the Fremont and Anasazi called home.

**Hands-On Bicycle Repair Clinic**, April 22 through June 3. Join a REI bike technician and learn how to fix your own bicycle. Tools provided. Each clinic covers a different aspect of basic repairs. April 22, April 29, May 13 and June 3, 11 a.m. to noon.

April 22: Fixing a flat.

April 29: Drive train maintenance and chain repair.

May 13: Brake adjustments.

June 3: Front and rear derailleur adjustments.

Free unless otherwise noted. 1338 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley (510) 527-4140.

**Grand Lake Oakland Certified Farmers Market** — Ongoing. A chance to buy local organic produce and baked goods.

Free. Saturday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. MacArthur Boulevard and Grand Avenue, Oakland. (415) 456-FARM or (800) 897-FARM.

**Berkeley Farmers' Market** — Ongoing. A chance to buy local organic produce, baked goods and flowers. The two markets operate rain or shine.

Tuesday Market, 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Derby Street and Martin Luther King Jr. Way.

Saturday Market, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Center Street at Martin Luther King Jr. Way.

**SPECIAL EVENT** — Family Farm Day, April 21, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. This event, held in conjunction with Earth Day, highlights activities relating to life on farms. Included will be live farm animals, human-powered hayrides, an observational beehive with a glass side to look at the bees working in their hive, farm equipment, and farmer presentations on growing food.

Free. Center Street at Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Berkeley. (510) 548-3333.

**Jack London Square Farmers Market** — Ongoing. A chance to buy fresh fruits and vegetables, cut flowers, baked goods, and more. Free. Sunday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Jack London Square, foot of Broadway, Oakland. (510) 814-6000 or www.jacklondonsquare.com

**Cody's Bookstores** — Poetry at Cody's: John D'Agata and Joanna Klink, April 15, 7:30 p.m. At 2454 Telegraph Ave. \$2.

Isadora Alman, April 16, 7:30 p.m. The author will talk about her book "Doing It: Real People Having Really Good Sex." At 2454 Telegraph Ave.

Michael Parenti, April 17, 7:30 p.m. The author will discuss his book "To Kill a Nation: The Attack on Yugoslavia." At 2454 Telegraph Ave.

Andrew Harvey, April 19, 7:30 p.m. The author will discuss "The Direct Path: Creating a Personal Journey to the Divine Using the World's Spiritual Traditions." At 2454 Telegraph Ave.

Susie Bright, April 20, 7 p.m. The author will discuss her book "The Best American Erotica 2001." At 1730 Fourth St.

Poetry at Cody's: Maxine Hong Kingston and Fred Hammett, April 22, 7:30 p.m. At 2454 Telegraph Ave. \$2.

Free. Berkeley. (510) 845-7852 or (510) 559-9500.

**Golden Gate Geographic Society Travel Film Series** — "Australia!"

Ken Armstrong has explored all seven states and the federal capital so come with him to see this complete travel film depicting the country's major cities, unique wildlife, Great Barrier Reef, Ayers Rock and the Olga Mountains, aboriginal life, sheep and cattle ranches, and mining for silver, gold and opals. Armstrong will be present to answer questions.

April 19, 2:00 p.m. and 7:45 p.m.: Rheem Theatre, Rheem Boulevard and Moraga Road, Moraga.

April 20, 7:45 p.m.: Chabot College Performing Arts Center, 25555 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward.

May 6, 2 p.m.: Paramount Theatre, 2025 Broadway, Oakland.

\$9 general; \$4.50 youths age 14 and under; (\$80) 247-GGGS.

**Pacific Film Archive** — The 44th San Francisco International Film Festival.

April 20 through May 3. Films from the Festival begin screening here on April 20 and are in their original language with English subtitles.

Movies being shown include "Dora-Heita" from Japan, "Reel Hunters" from the Philippines, "Devils on the Doorstep" from China, "Without a Trace" from Mexico, "The Natural History of the Chicken" from the U.S., and "Treasures From a Chest," the old silent film found recently in an old house on France's Atlantic Coast. Call for a full program of films.

\$9 general per film; \$8 seniors, students and disabled per film; \$5 children under age 12 per film. 2575 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. (510) 642-1412 or (415) 642-5249 or www.sfff.org

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## Reviews

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guage, sexual content, bodily humor) 1 hour, 35 minutes. **C-**

**"MEMENTO":** Christopher Nolan's thriller is told backward in roughly 10-minute increments, which has made it buzz central among the spring releases. But even after two viewings, "Memento" comes off more as a clever gag than a piece of wildly innovative filmmaking. It's set up to reward the sharp-eyed viewer: Figure out what's going on and pat yourself on the back for being in the same intellectual stratosphere as the filmmaker. Still, Guy Pearce couldn't be better as

Leonard, a former insurance claims investigator who's on a mission to find his wife's killer, but is hampered by having no short-term memory. — M. Pols. (R: violence, drug content and some language.) 1 hour, 53 minutes. **B**

**"THE MEXICAN":** A perfectly engineered date movie: enough action for the boys, and cute outfits and a love story for the girls. Brad Pitt and Julia Roberts are appealing as a feuding couple. Pitt has one last job to finish for the mob, but it's a doozy, eventually involving his girlfriend (Roberts). There's a spirited hokey quality to "The Mexican," but its two stars are so appealing and the supporting cast so strong, especially James Gandolfini, that it works most of the time. — M. Pols. (R: violence, language.) 2 hours, 3 minutes. **B+**

**"O BROTHER, WHERE ART THOU?":** The most sublimely insane and creative movie to come along for awhile is a strange hybrid of musical comedy, silent movies and "The Wizard of Oz." In the latest from the Coen brothers ("Fargo," "Raising Arizona"), George Clooney, John Turturro and Tim Blake Nelson play a trio of chain-gang escapees making their way around the back roads of Mississippi in the middle of the Depression. Based on "The Odyssey," although beyond the basics the Homeric references are fairly scant. The soundtrack is fantastic, so are the visuals and you'll want to make a return trip to catch all the jokes. And there's nary a wood chipper in sight. — M. Pols. (PG-13: some violence and language.) 1 hour, 43 minutes. **A-**

**"POKEMON 3: THE MOVIE":** The third film outing for the animated action critters is a lushly scheduled exercise that bookends two adventures. The film is aimed for young kids, but adults might get swept up into the action based on the colorful animation. Both adventures are entertaining, if lightweight as evil is supplanted by good. — M. Ritter (G: some younger children might be overwhelmed by the battles) 1 hour, 30 minutes. **B**

**"POLLOCK":** You can't beat the acting

in director/star Ed Harris' biographical movie about painter Jackson Pollock. As the troubled artist, Harris is brilliant, and so is Marcia Gay Harden as his wife, painter Lee Krasner, who sacrifices her own work to baby-sit the self-destructive genius. The supporting actors, including Amy Madigan as art collector Peggy Guggenheim, are right on. But the movie suffers from the conventions of yé old screwed-up artist plot. And, although no bio-pic can cover all the territory in someone's life, there are missing pieces within the version Harris has chosen to tell. In a four-hour version on PBS or HBO, this might have been a much more gloriously rich story. — M. Pols. (R: language and brief sexuality.) 1 hour, 57 minutes. **B-**

**"REQUIEM FOR A DREAM":** Very, very good but hard to recommend, because watching it is such a brutal experience. Adapted (barely) from the Hubert Selby Jr. novel of the same name, "Requiem" takes a hard look at drug addiction. Ellen Burstyn is a lonely Coney Island widow who gets hooked on diet pills. Jared Leto plays her son, who, along with girlfriend Jennifer Connelly and best friend Marlon Wayans, is addicted to heroin. Director Darren Aronofsky ("Pi") plays a series of visual tricks on us; creatively, he's on fire, and so are all four actors. — M. Pols. (NR: extensive drug use, some nudity and some graphic sexuality.) 1 hour, 42 minutes. **A**

**"SOMEONE LIKE YOU":** A predictable adaptation of Laura Zigman's zingy, silly little novel "Animal Husbandry." Ashley Judd plays Jane Goodall, a woman who has been inexplicably dumped by Ray the lout (Greg Kinnear). Instead of wallowing in ice cream, Jane dives into animal husbandry, eager to prove that men are pigs. Her best example is Eddie (an irresistible Hugh Jackman). The fetching Judd displays a nice sense of comic timing and looks great in her underwear. In the novel, Zigman joked about a possible conclusion to Jane's romantic odyssey, then dismissed it with a breezy, "As if!" Sadly, the movie has no compunction about making the joke a reality. Edginess must have its end. — M. Pols. (PG-13: sexual content, including dialogue and some language.) 1 hour, 33 minutes. **C+**

**"SPY KIDS":** Robert Rodriguez's action flick for kids has a sly sense of humor, gloriously fantastical sets and, at its core, a goodhearted but never preachy message about the importance of family. Antonio Banderas plays former superspy Gregorio Cortez, who retired from secret agent-dom when he met and married fellow spy Ingrid (the perky Carla Gugino). Eleven years later, they have two kids, Carmen (Alexa Vega) and Juni (Daryl Sabara), and a lucrative consulting business, but can't resist the urge to save the world. Their latest foe is the evil Fegan Floop (Alan Cumming).

When they run into trouble, it's up to their excellent pair of kids to save them. — M. Pols. (PG: action sequences.) 1 hour, 33 minutes. **A-**

**"THE TAILOR OF PANAMA":** Pierce Brosnan and Geoffrey Rush star in this satisfying blend of action, intrigue, snappy dialogue and dark humor, based on one of John le Carré's espionage stories. Brosnan plays a jaded spy exiled to Panama after flubbing an assignment. He manipulates a British expatriate who runs a tailor shop in Panama City (Rush) into revealing secrets about the Panama Canal. The hitch here is that Rush's stories are just that — overblown stories. Solid acting and shrewd direction and writing make this a must-see. — D. Germain. (R: strong sexuality, language and some violence.) 1 hour, 49 minutes. **B+**

**"TOMCATS":** A bawdy and derivative comedy (read lame) about group of guys wagering that the last holdout in getting hitched wins a huge pot of money. Jerry O'Connell plays a sworn bachelor whose gambling diet makes him try to prod the other "contender" (Jake Busey) to the altar. As you'd expect, "Tomcats" is awash in strong suggestions of sex, and most of its humor is of the toilet kind. The funniest scene is in the outtakes at the film's end. — J. Davenport (R: sexuality, language, brief nudity and violence) 1 hour, 32 minutes. **D+**

**"TRAFFIC":** Steven Soderbergh's epic story of the drug war in American is, hands down, the best movie of the year. It hits every angle, from Benicio Del Toro's striking turn as an honest Mexican policeman in a sea of corruption to Michael Douglas' role as America's newest drug czar, a man too intent on the bigger battle to realize his teen-age daughter is dipping into hard drugs. We even met up with a drug kingpin and his pregnant wife (Catherine Zeta-Jones). This is a big movie, challenging and deeply rewarding. The ensemble cast is absolutely mind-blowing, and so is the dexterity with which Soderbergh both welds his camera and weaves a fascinating story. — M. Pols. (R: pervasive drug use, strong language, violence and some sexuality.) 2 hours, 27 minutes. **A**

**"THE WIDOW OF SAINT-PIERRE":** Director Patrick Leconte ("Ridicule," "Girl on the Bridge") has finally anchored his cinematic gifts to a story worth caring about. "Widow" has the bold, earnest emotion of a classic 1940s Hollywood drama. Set in the mid-19th century, the film stars Juliette Binoche as an enigmatic captain's wife who falls for an imprisoned man set to be executed. Leconte sees the past as a region not of quaint mores and pretty costumes, but as a volatile frontier, a realm of artistic and moral risk. — A.O. Scott. (R: some violence and a brief sex scene.) 1 hour, 48 minutes. **A-**

forgettable.

The woman next to me was ts-k-ts-k-ing like mad over the rampant product placement until the plot about subliminal messages became so clear she couldn't miss it. While she may not have been the sharpest knife in the drawer, her confusion does have some basis. You could almost imagine a movie this shameless, and indeed, even "Josie's" irony doesn't expunge the shamelessness of the name dropping. Steve Madden probably didn't object to having his line of shoes mentioned a half dozen times in the season's hot girlie movie, no matter what the context. Nor does the irony make "Josie" noble; every teen comedy has it.

There is the same contradiction in the way "Josie" deals with body image. Fiona takes the three pussycats aside for some girl chat and junk food. Fiona almost bites into a Pringle, then says "I'm such a pig," before probing about Josie's weight. "118," says Josie. Fiona snidely says she weighs only 115. Cook conveys concern over Fiona's pitiful attitude by curling her lip

and looking quizzical; we're meant to see her as a girl who knows better than to fret about a few pounds. But the sentiment would have far more weight if the rest of the movie wasn't flashing protruding hipbones at us. Reid is clad exclusively in absurdly low-cut pants, revealing how grotesquely thin she is.

What will young girls take away from 90 minutes of looking at her unachievable anatomy? Dawson is the only somewhat normal one, and the script treats her as insecure — easily susceptible to the idea that she's expendable. There's the implication it has something to do with her being the lone black in the band. Or maybe it's her womanly breasts.

Either way, the message is supposed to be that the sweetly innocent and accepting Pussycats are way beyond all that nonsense. Yet all I could think about was the calorie counting that must have happened on the set.

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and said, "Well, then, I'll have to give a fellow American special treatment. Just tell me what you want to know." It was a great interview; Stargell was expansive, friendly, and I got great quotes.

Afterwards, I hustled back up to the press box to file my first major-league game story, and because of all the East Bay slugger's quotes, it almost wrote itself. I've never forgotten Stargell's kindness to me that big day.

**PG&E comes home:** KGO-TV found a good way to personalize the big company's Chapter 11 bankruptcy filing this week — by looking at how it affects the little guy, a shareholder.

San Leandro's Bill Quarry, a well-known local businessman who owns Minit Printing there, may not exactly be an average shareholder, though — for years, he's put 85 to 90 percent of his retirement savings in PG&E stock, most of which, he says, has now "vaporized." Because of this, KGO said, Quarry has put retirement plans on hold. The Channel 7 report stressed the importance of diversifying one's holdings. But many small investors like Quarry have been led to believe for years that utility stocks are one of the safest investments.

The investing mantra used to

be "low risk, low reward," and "high risk, high reward." But, in Quarry's case, it was "low risk, high losses."

**The Pix Page:** It was a rare shrewd move by KPX, electing to add a new 4:30 p.m. newscast weekdays, starting in June, to be co-anchored by Kate Kelly and Barbara Rogers. Channel 4 has a 4 to 4:30 newscast, and there's a half-hour local news gap between 4:30 and 5. Besides filling that news void, by having news there, Channel 5 also provides a news lead-in to its struggling, low-rated 5 p.m. newscast. Its awful, syndicated "To Tell the Truth" at 4:30 is a critical and ratings disaster and should be banished to 2:30 a.m., alongside Dr. Laura reruns. Additionally, viewers may finally be tiring of another 4:30 syndicated show, KRON's "Judge Judy." The Judge's ratings, while still strong, are down from last year, when Judge Sheindlin was regularly beating long-time afternoon ratings champ Oprah (KGO-TV). These days, Oprah often beats the no-nonsense judge in Nielsen's courtroom ... Finally, avoid black cats today, get those taxes in on time Monday, and remember: The last three letters in "theirs" is IRS.

(Questions? Comments? E-mail Bill at Newsman@sonic.net)

## Tucker

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Shotgun founder and artistic director Patrick Dooley and his inventive troupe have a serious purpose in this piece. It is billed as "a hike up the backroads of love, desire and self-identity ... an adventure in the art of being true to oneself ... and another."

In "Blue Roses," conceptualized and directed by Christian Schneider, the ensemble weaves a dreamy reality based loosely on the main characters of "The Glass Menagerie" — Amanda Wingfield, a faded tragic remnant of Southern gentility; her son, Tom, who is driven to drink by his mother's nagging; and poor Laura, whose hopes of marriage collapse into a world of illusion.

Not exactly a jolly starlet cruise up a lazy river. But if you remember the Williams original, it's a drama of great charm, tenderness and beauty. It will be interesting to see what Black Box does with this material. The intimacy of La Val's Subterranean and its tiny stage will intensify the proceedings.

A bonus: Each play will be followed by a brief post-show discussion with the audience to exchange insights about the creative process and presentation of the respective productions.

**THE UN-SUPERSTITIOUS:** Theater people are supposed to be superstitious. But here it is, the start of the week in which Friday falls — shudder! — on the dreaded 13th, and that night Contra Costa Civic Theatre is opening one of the season's biggies: "The Sound of Music."

There have been some cast

and direction changes made on the way to opening night, but no spooky jinx is likely to mute the joy of this all-time favorite when "the hills come alive with ..." etc.

The Rodgers and Hammerstein classic plays at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays through May 26 with Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. on April 22 and 29 and May 6, 13 and 20. You can join the director and cast for a short informal talk after the May 6 performance.

Tickets are \$15 for adults; \$6 for youths 18 and under with current ID. Call 510-524-9132. For group sales, call 510-524-6654.

**ANOTHER FUN TALKFEST:** It's always a honk to hear from Arnie Passman and what he has prepared for his monthly servings of "Conversations in Commedia" at La Pena, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley.

These one-nighters, always on the last Wednesday of the month, bring together a pair of comic players — "radical theater elders." Passman bills them — from such vintage comedic vineyards as the San Francisco Mime Troupe, Dell'Arte Players, Vaudeville Nouveau, Pickle Family Circus, Make-A-Circus and so on. And they talk, regaling audiences with memories of their 20 to 40 years in commedia.

Next up at 7:30 p.m. on April 25: "Doc" Mozzarelli and The Amazing Zuccini, telling all and more in their take on post-modern slanted comic art from Detroit's ethnic street corners to punk rock in San Francisco two decades ago.

But let's let Arnie introduce them:

From Motown, he confides, "Doc" went on to study with

Heart of the Beast in Minneapolis. For 15 years he taught West African folk tales to a hundred children a year at the East Bay Center for the Performing Arts, working with African drummers and giant puppets.

"Doc" has appeared with the Pop Corn Guerrilla Anti-Theater in San Francisco and the Berkeley Mock City Council, among other outings.

The Amazing Zuccini — and I'll quote Arnie on this, lest you think I'm making it up — is "known for making the sound of bacon frying under a lawn sprinkler." And that's not all. He landed in New York in 1978 where — and I must quote again — "he dazzled Greenwich Village with his ability to dive into a cup of beer."

In California, Zuccini found too much competition from street artists and became Gypsy Jack, a much-sought elegant waiter doing controlled buffoonery in a five-star restaurant.

The April 25 conversation will be moderated by UC Berkeley drama professor Mel Gordon.

Admission is \$8 general; \$6 for seniors, students and the disabled. Call 510-849-2568.

"Conversations in Commedia" will continue once a month through the rest of the year. The series is a creation of Arnie Passman's House of Cards. For fun's sake, let's hope it stands a long time and continues to deal such stand-pat winning hands.

Send items of interest to Jack Tucker at P.O. Box 100, Pinole, CA 94564; fax to 510-262-2776; e-mail to jtucker@ccimes.com, or call 510-262-2768. Include a contact name and number.

## Cal

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erature, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Toiman Hall, to meet favorite children's authors and enjoy storytelling, singalongs, traditional Chinese folktales and a poetry writing activity for kids.

Visitors can root for their favorite robot car as student-built vehicles negotiate a 100-meter race course under computer control from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Cory Hall courtyard.

Tours will be offered of places like the Jepson Herbaria, with its extraordinary collection of plants (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.), the campus radio station KALX (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.) and the special collection of manuscripts and rare video footage at the Mark Twain Project in the Doe Library (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.).

Visitors are invited to explore the world of micromachines, tiny devices being used to solve a myriad of engineering challenges from transportation to health care, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in 5107 Etcheverry Hall.

Free admission to the Lawrence

Hall of Science will allow children of all ages to enjoy hands-on fun at Cal's family science center. Visitors can handle live animals from 1:30 to 4 p.m., say hello to a robotic dinosaur and participate in planetarium shows.

Experience the thrill of finding fossils — fish scales, turtle shells and even dinosaur teeth — in this hands-on activity at 3007 Valley Life Sciences Building from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Or explore the incredible insects from the collection of the Essig Museum of Entomology from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Wellman Hall, 2nd Floor.

Guests can also go climb a wall, learn some new skateboard and snowboard moves, watch gymnastic demonstrations or get a free massage at Dana Court. A rapelling clinic will operate from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. down the face of four-story Wheeler Hall.

At the International House, visitors can sample exotic foods from around the world, children can create crafts, and all are welcome to view dance and music performances from 1 to 6 p.m.

Visitors are invited to check out "Bambi in the Hood," a talk about

the urban deer population in the East Bay, including a demonstration of how to track deer with radio telemetry, from 2 to 4 p.m. in 103 Mulford Hall.

Don't forget to look up, because from 12:30 to 1 p.m. the Air Force ROTC cadets will fly two aerobatic aircraft over the campus to demonstrate aerial formations and maneuvers.

Faculty lectures will continue all day. Among the highlights;

■ "2001 Redistricting — California's Blood Sport" presented by political science professor Bruce Cain, director of the UC Berkeley Institute of Governmental Studies at 10 a.m. in 155 Dwinelle Hall.

■ "How Flies Fly: Fighter Jets Have Nothing On Insects!" Virtual reality video and giant models will be part of the presentation by integrative biology professor Michael Dickinson at 1 p.m. in 2050 Valley Life Sciences Building.

■ "Is Anybody Out There? The Search for Extraterrestrial Civilizations with Help from a Million SETI@home Volunteers" presented by Dr. Dan Wertheimer of the Space Sciences Laboratory at 1 p.m. in 4 Le Conte Hall.

evenings at 8 through May 5, plus one Thursday evening, May 3.

For reservations to "Salesman", call 510-528-5620. Admission is \$10, with discounts for groups of 15 or more.

This is the third production of Actors Ensemble's 44th season. The last will be the Lindsay & Crouse comedy "The Great Seduced by Actors Ensemble of Berkeley, the City's oldest stage company, the classic will be performed Friday and Saturday

## 'Death of a Salesman' at Live Oak Park

**BERKELEY** — The first Bay Area staging of Arthur Miller's "Death of a Salesman" with an African-American cast will open at Live Oak Theatre, 1301 Shattuck Ave. (at Berryman), Berkeley, on Friday, April 6, at 8 p.m. Produced by Actors Ensemble of Berkeley, the City's oldest stage company, the classic will be performed Friday and Saturday

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## Mann

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pized to be the Montreal Gazette's beat writer and cover the big-league team. I'd been out to the old Jarry Park a few times to do pre-game feature stories on ballplayers, many of whom I found arrogant and/or loutish.

Then, one morning in 1971, the big call came. It was my sports editor, and I could visualize him chomping on his cigar: "Kid, the beat writer is out sick. Actually, he's hung over. You'll be covering the game with the Pirates this afternoon." My big break.

Stargell hit one of his trademark mammoth home runs into the municipal swimming pool beyond the right-field fence to beat the Expos (he hit a knuckleball, called a "papiilon" by French baseball fans). I was nervous as I headed down to the Pirates' locker room after the game to get some comments from the winning team for my story. I figured Stargell had a giant ego and was unapproachable, like so many baseball stars.

When I finally broke the ice by telling the towering and fear-some-looking Stargell I was a Yank living in Canada, he beamed, put his arm around me,



# Calendar

Submissions to the Community Calendar must be received Thursdays one week prior to publication. Listings are on a space-available basis.

## Children

**The Berkeley Art Center**, 1275 Walnut St., hosts its ninth annual Youth Arts Festival, April 18 through May 12. Reception: Wednesday, April 18, 5:30 to 7 p.m., free refreshments and entertainment. The festival is a city-wide celebration of art, music, dance and poetry by youth from the Berkeley Unified School District. Special events and Saturday art workshops are available. Gallery hours: Wednesdays through Sundays, noon to 5 p.m. For more information, call 644-6893.

**The City of El Cerrito**, offers special programs for children from 22 months to five years of age. These programs are designed to offer parents an opportunity to leave their pre-school children in a safe atmosphere under qualified supervision. The program for ages 22 months to 3-1/2 years meets Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to noon. Registration is continuous as long as space is available. Located at 7007 Mooser Lane. For more information, call Judie, 215-4371.

**LGBO Parent and Prospective Parent Groups** meet the first Saturday of the month 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. with concurrent childcare. All groups meet at the Pacific Center at 2712 Telegraph Ave. in Berkeley. Donations are requested, but not required. For information or to RSVP, contact Anna at familyprogram@yahoo.com or 415-789-8560 classes.

**The Ann Martin Children's Center** offers eight "Support Groups For Mothers," sessions for first time mothers and babies their babies under 5 months. Experienced facilitator. For information: 524-0821.

**Lawrence Hall of Science**, UC Berkeley's public science museum and center for K-12 science and math education offers three residential summer science camps, including two camps held at actual University of California field research stations; and three Sierra backpacking summer science camps. Each camp emphasizes fun outdoor science explorations through hands-on, inquiry-based activities, as well as lots of traditional camp fun. Each camp has a unique theme, and is designed for a specific age group. Call 642-2275 or e-mail to: lthinfo@uclink.berkeley.edu. To register, call 642-5134.

**"Theater Rats,"** Julia Morgan's kid's theater camp program, offers swimming, singing, dancing, acting, and field games as some of its exciting activities. The camp is a two-week session for kids 6-14. Call 883-7023 for additional information.

## Health

**Charcot Marie Tooth (CMT)** support group meets Saturdays bimonthly at

West Berkeley Library, 1125 University Ave. from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. CMT is a neuropathic disorder. Call 524-3506 for additional information.

**YWCA Health and Community Education**, drop in classes in dance, fitness, yoga, martial arts and more; University YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way, 848-6370; \$8 - \$10.

## Community

**Berkeley Earth Day 2001**, celebrates the 31st anniversary of the national event, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 21 at Civic Center Park, Allston and MLK Jr. Way. The Eco-Motion Parade starts at 11 a.m. with kids and adults walking, biking, using electric go carts and cars, and other forms of non-polluting transport. The event is free. Volunteers are needed. For more information, call 654-6346 or www.BayAreaEarthDay.net.

**Friends of Albany Seniors** presents its annual White Elephant Sale from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 21 at the Albany Senior Center, 846 Masonic Ave. Proceeds benefit the center. Great bargains are available; needle craft items, jewelry, household items, baked goods, and much more. Donations of unwanted household items are now being accepted at the center. For more information, call 524-9122.

**Berkeley Farmers' Market** presents Family Farm Day from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 21 at Center St. and Martin Luther King, Jr. Way. The event is a complementary event to Earth Day Berkeley, held in Civic Center Park. The Family Farm Day is co-sponsored by the Ecology Center, Berkeley Farmers' Market, and the Community Alliance with Family Farmers. The event is free and wheelchair accessible. For more information, call 548-3333.

**Easy Going Travel Shop and Bookstore**, 1385 Shattuck Ave. at Rose, presents a free demonstration using techniques from Judith Gifford's book "The Packing Book: Secrets of the Carry-On Traveler," at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 17. Staff-person Julie Lavazzo demonstrates how to pack for three weeks, two climates, in one manageable carry-on bag. For more information, call 843-3533.

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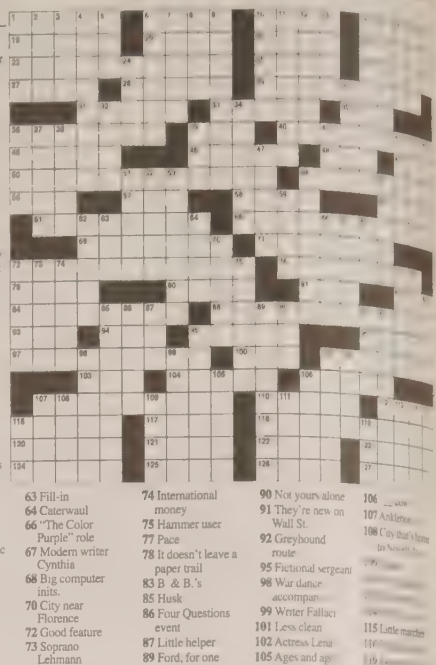
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**Turning Point at the YWCA**, 2600 Bancroft Way, sponsors Resume Clinics on Tuesday afternoons, or by appointment. To sign up for an appointment, leave a message several days before you would like to meet. Anne Levine Ph.D. has a background in Design and Education. For the past 10 years she has assisted in producing numerous resumes as part of her desktop publishing business. Call 848-6370 for additional information.

Marion Rosen, founder of Rosen

Method bodywork and movement, presents the Method through lecture, demonstration, and experimental practice. Rosen is joined in the presentation by Sara Webb, Senior

Teacher of Rosen Method bodywork Location: Feldenkrais Resources, 830 Bancroft Way. Admission: \$10. Reser-

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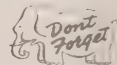
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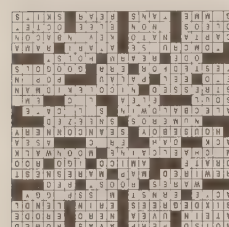


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ations are strongly recommended. For more information or to make a reservation, contact Abby Paige, at 845-6606.

**Berkeley's Office of Emergency Services** presents a new series of free Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) classes. The classes give basic, practical information, including hands-on training in fire suppression, light search and rescue, and disaster first aid. All classes are held at the fire department's Emergency Operations Center, 997 Cedar St. The classes are open to everyone, 18 or older, who lives or works in Berkeley. To register, or for more information, call the Office of Emergency Services, 644-8736.

**Berkeley Art Museum, Pacific Film Archive** offers a guided tour of Equal Partner: Men and Women Principals in Contemporary Architectural Practice presented by graduate students from the UC-Berkeley Department of Architecture, College of Environmental Design on Alternating Thursdays at 12:15 p.m. and on Sundays at 2 p.m. For additional information call 842-0808.

**Overeaters Anonymous** meet Fridays at 1:30 PM at the Northbrae Community Church in Berkeley, 941 The Alameda between Solano and Marin avenues, in Room 2—the childcare room—parents may bring their children. This organization is for individuals who eat compulsively. For further information, call Katherine at 525-5231.

**Tostmasters**, do it now. Stand up and say what you mean. Come practice—Tuesday, noon to 1 p.m. at 700 Heinz Ave. Call 883-6708 for additional information.

**Civil Rights activists** needed. Write the ACLU chapter of Berkeley, Albany, Richmond, and Kensington, P.O. Box 11141, Berkeley, CA., 94701.

**"Work Buddies"**, volunteers needed to perform volunteer work with people in early stage Alzheimer's Disease. Minimum six-month commitment, two to three hours per week. Training provided. Contact Nannette Lipton, 644-8292.

**Psychic Healing clinic**, 7 to 9 p.m. Mondays; free clinic at the Academy for Psychic Studies in Berkeley, aura cleansing, stress relief; 1-800-642-9355.

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**The Edible Schoolyard**, an organic gardening and cooking program at Berkeley's King Middle School, seeks volunteers to work with students, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call 558-1335 for information.

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**Women's Daytime Drop-in Center** in

Berkeley, serving women who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, needs volunteers. The Center is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Volunteers are needed for morning and afternoon shifts. For more information call 466-5663.

## Exhibits

**UC Berkeley Art Museum** continues its installation by Brazilian artist Ernesto Neto through April 15. Neto creates sensual sculptural works that provoke viewers to interact. For this exhibition his first solo museum exhibition on the West Coast, Neto creates a site-specific installation in the Phyllis Wattis Matrix Gallery that deals in themes of sensuality and touch. Call 642-0808 for more information.

**The Albany Arts Committee** announces the opening of a new exhibit, "Three-Ply," tapestries by local artist Care Standley. This selection of tapestries embraces the complexity and subtleties involved in creating textiles woven on a loom. The exhibit is on display through May 24 at the Albany Community Center Foyer Gallery, 1249 Marin Ave., Albany. Call 524-9283 for more information.

**The City of El Cerrito** presents Open Clay Studio ongoing classes on Mondays, 7-9 p.m. Experience with clay is helpful, but not necessary. Opportunities will be provided for students to explore areas of clay work. Demonstrations and instruction will be provided on requests. Admission: \$7.50 residents, \$9.38 nonresidents. The location: Tassajara Pottery Center, 2575 Tassajara Boulevard. For more information, call Judie at 215-4371.

**Alta Bates Medical Center** presents work by members of the California Watercolor Association at its Community Art Gallery, 2450 Ashby Ave., Berkeley. The gallery is in the main corridor to the left of the information desk and main entrance. Call 204-4444 for additional information.

**New Pieces Gallery** is located on Solano Avenue. New Pieces is the only gallery which shows quilts and soft cloth sculptures and dolls exclusively. The gallery is open during store business hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; and Sunday Noon to 5 p.m. except major holidays. Details 527-6779.

## Literary Events

**The Reading Edge** is available for public use at the Berkeley Public Library, 2121 Alston Way. This computer scans printed text and reads it back aloud with a synthesized voice. It's available for anyone with a disability that requires its

use to access print material. Users must complete a brief training session before using the Reading Edge, after that reservations are needed. Call the Reference Desk at 644-6648 to set up a training session.

## Meetings

**Berkeley Camera Club** meets at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Northbrae Community Church, 941 The Alameda. Share your slides and prints and learn what other photographers are doing. Monthly field trips. For more information, call Don 525-3565.

**Kensington Senior Activity Center** meets from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave. The West Contra Costa Adult school and community volunteers present the Center's program of life-long learning. Attend any class or event. Everyone over 55 is welcome. Volunteers of all ages are needed. Call 526-9146 or 547-1969 for more information.

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**Disabled American Veterans Chapter** 25 meets on the third Tuesday of the month. The evening begins with a no host dinner and fellowship at 7 p.m. at 2068 Center St. A short business meeting follows at 8 p.m. at 1931 Center St., the Veterans Memorial Building. Price: \$3. Women who have had relatives in the US Military are invited to attend and join the auxiliary. For more information, call R. DeRiti, Cmdr. D.A.V. Chapter 25, 916-372-8364.

## Music

**Cal Performances** presents New York's **Swinging Vanguard Jazz Orchestra**, at 8 p.m. on Saturday, April 28 in Zellerbach Hall, UC Berkeley. The UC Berkeley Big Band performs at 7 p.m. The program features Thad Jones' masterpiece "Suite for Pops," in honor of Louis Armstrong's 100th birthday. Tickets: \$18, \$24 and \$30. Call 642-9988 or charge by phone; by e-mail at TicketWeb.com: tickets@calperfs.berkeley.edu; and at the door.

**Chamber Music Sundays**, featuring musicians of the San Francisco Symphony, is 3:15 p.m. Sunday, April 15 at St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave. The concert presents the F Major Sonata for cello and piano, featuring principal cellist Michael Grebanier, Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No. 6, and the Schumann Piano Quintet. Tickets at the door: \$16 adults, \$13 for students and seniors and \$7 for youth under 18. For more information, call 415-584-5946.

**Julia Morgan Center for the Arts** Kaleidoscope Performances, presents "Music from the Mediterranean and Beyond," by Zahra at 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 29. The music of Zahra integrates the sonorities of authentic Mediterranean instruments from the island of Malta. The combination of Arab folk roots with the groove and influences of modern music produces a captivating experience. Adults: \$10, children: \$5. For tickets call CBOA at 925-798-1300. For more information, call Ruben at 636-7498.

**Lynn Tetenbaum**, viola da gamba, with Yuko Tanaka, harpsichord and Julie Jeffrey, viola da gamba perform the music of Marin Marais, J.S. Bach, Christopher Simpson, August Kuhnle, at 8 p.m. on Friday, April 20 at St. Alban's Episcopal Church, 1501 Washington St., Albany. Cost: \$10, \$8. Call 271-8041 for more information.

**La Pena Cultural Center**, 3105 Shattuck Ave., presents the group **Tamazgha** performing Berber dance and trance music at 9 p.m. on Saturday, April 14. The group brings both traditional songs and new material. The name "Tamazgha" refers to the homeland of the Berbers, the indigenous peoples of North Africa, whose land extends from Morocco to Egypt and from Algeria to Niger. Admission: \$10. Call 849-2568 for more information.

**UC Berkeley Cal Performances** presents flamenco guitarist **Paco de Lucia** and the **Paco de Lucia Septet** at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, April 13 and 14, at 101 Zellerbach Hall, UC Berkeley. De Lucia draws from the musical traditions of Spanish, Gypsy, Sephardic and Muslim cultures. He

fuses traditional Gypsy-inspired folk music of his Andalusian homeland with jazz-inspired improvisation and Caribbean beat. Admission: \$20, \$30 and \$40. Tickets are available through the Cal Performances ticket office at Zellerbach Hall. For more information or to charge by phone, call 642-9988.

## Support

**NAMI-East Bay** (formerly Alliance for the Mentally Ill) sponsors a support group for families of children with mental illness. The next meeting is 7: 8:45 p.m. Tuesday April 17 at University Christian Church, 2401 Le Conte Ave. The meetings are free and offer parents and other family members a chance to talk with others, share information and get emotional support. The public is invited to take advantage of this program. For more information, call 841-8361.

## Lecture/Workshop

**The Bay Area Seed Interchange Library (BASIL)**, a free community resource, holds a "Planning Your Garden for Seed-saving," workshop from 1-3 p.m. on Saturday, April 14 at the Ecology Center, 2530 San Pablo Ave. This workshop gives a heads up on this and materials needed for different crops. For more information, call 548-2220.

## Theater, Dance &amp; Film

**Julia Morgan Center for the Arts**, 2640 College Ave., presents **Odissi Dance** at 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 28. Odissi is reputed to be the most lyrical of the seven main forms of Indian classical dance because of its emphasis on liq-

uidity of movement and graceful expression. A diverse sequence of groups will present various styles of multicultural dance from April 20 through April 29. Admission: adults \$28 children \$18. For tickets call CBOA at 925-798-1300.

**Actors Ensemble of Berkeley** presents Arthur Miller's "Death of a Salesman." This classic is performed Friday and Saturday evenings through May 5 and one Thursday, May 3. The play is directed by John Dahler, who has staged "Prelude to a Kiss," "To Kill a Mockingbird," and "Angie Street." Cast includes Eric Abrams, Patrice Lukulu Binaisa, Lindsey Margaret Clark, Brandy Evans, William Hunter, J. Cary Irving, David Jones, Andy Spence, Lynn S., Bruce Williams and Eural Wills. Admission: \$10. Call 528-5620 for reservations or more information.

**The Pacific Film Archive** offers a course in film history "Film 50: History of Cinema," 3 to 6 p.m. through May 2. Call 642-5249 for more information.

**Learn easy international folk dances** fun for all ages at the Albany YMCA, 921 Kains Ave. No experience necessary. Wear comfortable shoes and come prepared for a good time. Admission: Adults \$2 and \$1 for kids. For more information, call 525-1130.

**Family Folkdancing** takes place on the third Sundays, 1-2:30 p.m. at Ashkenaz Music and Dance Community Center, 1317 San Pablo Ave. Instructor: Denise Schultz Weiss. Bring your feet and a spirit of fun. No experience necessary. An opportunity for families to dance and laugh together. Drop in for good fun and exercise. All ages

welcome. Drop-in class, no registration needed. Adults \$3, children \$2. Call 632-3713 for additional information.

**Swing Dance Classes!** Learn East coast swing and Lindy Hop with Michael and Persephone of Shagtime Dance Instruction, on Mondays at the Work Studio, 2566 Telegraph Ave. Beginning Lindy Hop runs 8:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. East Coast Swing from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. and beginning Lindy Hop 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays. At The Beat, 2560 Ninth St. Classes run as a monthly series. For more information, call Michael Marangio at 528-7656.

## Classes

**Ecology Center**, 2530 San Pablo Ave. presents a class "Energy Efficiency in the Home," from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, April 28. Cost: \$10 general. \$7.50 for Ecology Center members. Mark Gurell, architect/consultant, discusses how to reduce energy costs in existing houses and design new

houses to minimize energy costs. No one is turned away for lack of funds. Pre-registration is strongly advised. For more information or to reserve a space, call 548-2220 ext. 233.

## Volunteers

**PediatricCare** provides on-going support groups for families coping with illness, grief or loss within the family. Groups meet weekly evenings in Oakland and Walnut Creek. Fees are on a sliding scale. Call PediatricCare at 531-7551 for more information.

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1. What is the most popular day of the week to eat at a restaurant?
2. What percentage of consumers visits a restaurant as part of his or her birthday celebration?
3. What holiday is the most popular occasion for dining out?

The answers to these questions can be found at the end of this article.

Based on their own experiences, most Americans would not be surprised to learn that dining out is on the rise as a practical meal solution as well

as a source of entertainment. In fact, according to the National Restaurant Association, Washington, D.C., consumers in 2000 will spend more than 45 percent of their food dollars away from home. That figure has increased dramatically from 25 percent in 1955 and is projected to reach 53 percent well over half of the food dollars-by 2010.

However, what most restaurant patrons may not realize is that dining out is fueling one of the most important economic trends in the new century. This trend is the emerging dominance of service-related businesses.

A look at National Restaurant Association research indicates the restaurant and food service industry is a powerhouse that is essential to the nation's economic strength:

- Annual industry sales are projected to reach \$376 billion in 2000 and \$577 billion by 2010.
- On a typical day in 2000, the restaurant industry will post average sales in excess of \$1 billion.
- The industry will account for 4 percent of the U.S. gross domestic product in 2000.
- In 2000, there will be an estimated 831,000 restaurant industry locations in the

United States; in 2010, there are projected to be more than one million.

- With 11 million employees, the industry is the largest employer in the United States outside of government.
- The industry is expected to create two million new jobs over the next decade.
- The restaurant industry is the nucleus of a 17.5 million-job travel and tourism industry.
- Call it "food for thought" about America in the new century. For more information, visit [www.restaurant.org](http://www.restaurant.org).

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## Dining With Kids Doesn't Have To Mean Disaster

-If you've ever shared an embarrassing meal with your children in a nice restaurant (and what parent hasn't), you may want to toss the whole concept and stick to fast-food outlets. After all, kids are notorious noisemakers, clanging silverware together like percussion instruments and yelling inappropriate statements like, "Mom, Kevin dunked his bread in my lemonade!" Not to mention the mess on, below and within a 10-foot radius of the table. But dining out with your brood doesn't have to mean a burger in a box or trying to talk above the din of a video game arcade.

In fact, a little bit of planning can change an angry waitress from muttering "little mon-

sters" under her breath to a smiling person who praises their good manners. Here are some ideas for the next time you take the kids to a place where the napkins aren't made of paper.

Look before you leap, as in research the eatery beforehand. Does it have a children's menu, and how extensive is it? It may only have chicken drumettes and a hot dog, in which case you'll have a crying 5-year-old who is expecting spaghetti. If no children's menu is available, ask if the kitchen is willing to prepare smaller, plainer meals.

Bring along small finger foods for babies and toddlers. Lots of smaller children won't eat restaurant food at all because it's so unfamiliar to

them, so have crackers or a small container of cold cereal on hand. Don't bring anything that the restaurant itself could provide, though, like carrots or noodles.

Ask your server to bring the children's food as soon as it's ready, rather than waiting for the whole table's order. Patience is not the greatest virtue possessed by the average 6-year-old, so there's nothing wrong with giving them a head start.

Unlike restaurants geared toward children, grown-up places generally don't stock much in the way of paper, crayons or other creative diversions. Have your child bring a few art supplies (leave the permanent markers and watercolors at

home), and allow them to draw and color. Encourage them to draw what they see around them or what their food will look like. Before leaving, engage in a fun game of "Cleaning Up Our Table."

Play games that don't involve parts, cards or a fold-out board. In other words, use your imagination. Try a guessing game, like who's food will be served first, or how many people will come into or leave the restaurant in the next 10 minutes. Tell the kids that the winner gets to order dessert first, and they'll be paying more attention to their environment than to the packets of sugar.

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Section D

## Classic Classics '47 Ford pickup retires after years of hard work [D3]



**DENISE MCCLUGGAGE**  
Drive, She Said

### Good driving requires skill

What makes a good driver? Here are six points. You undoubtedly would score well in them all, as would I, but maybe some of those other toads will learn something, and our highway life will be easier and safer.

■ Accurate perceptions. This is the ability to realize what is really happening in the world around you and with your car. For instance, is that truck headed your way out of a parking lot going to stop? Sense the clues: a perceptible slowing or none; a driver looking toward you or elsewhere; a truck showing signs of adequate maintenance or not. And your car. Do you have anti-lock brakes? Are your tires properly inflated and the tread good? Or say you skid in a turn — is the front end washing out, or is the back end breaking loose? It matters because different kinds of skids require different reactions.

■ Reasonable predictions. This is the ability to foretell the results of your actions. If you do Y, then X will happen. If you do nothing, Z will happen. If you brake hard now, you will be stopped before you reach Point A. If a stopped car is 10 feet closer to you than Point A, you can dodge around it while still braking (if you have ABS) and still stop without hitting anything. Knowing these things allows split-second decisions with probable outcomes.

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MOTOR MATTERS

SUBARU PUT DESIGN EXCITEMENT UP FRONT, new colors outside, new seat fabric inside the turbo-charged Impreza WRX.

## Subaru goes for gusto with rally-type Impreza WRX

■ Small, sporty turbo with lots of surprises

Drivers looking for turbo performance in a subcompact ought to look at Subaru's Impreza WRX. It is World Rally Championship-inspired, packed with power and surprises. Subaru wasted no time in making color and design jump out at the onlooker.

Blaze Yellow and WR Blue Pearl are two brilliant paint colors that evoke smiles and stares from adults and even school children.

The front of the WRX has knock-out design features from the smartly raked windshield to the turbo air intake dam on the hood to the front wide-tread blister-fender.

Large oval-shaped headlights and bold foglights serve as four-corner anchors for this small, sporty car that measures 68 inches in width.

The front grille is masked in a darkened mesh design, giving the Subaru logo the appearance of floating in the center.

All the design excitement is reserved for the front of the WRX, so

**CONNIE KEANE**  
Keane on Wheels

as to not make this newest member to the Impreza lineup appear overdone.

Lines along the side of the 173-inch WRX body fold smoothly to the rear section, highlighted by large, angled taillights.

The WRX sits on 16-inch alloy wheels and tires, but 17-inch wheels and tires can be installed as optional equipment.

The WRX is modeled after the specially-tuned turbo Imprezas that have captured several rally championships for Subaru.

Small surprises await as gifts on the inside. The first comes when the driver opens the door and sees the seat fabric.

My test-drive WRX model had the blue exterior paint that carried over to the interior with subtle bright blue flecks woven against the charcoal black seat fabric, which is exclusive material for the WRX model. Both my front seat passenger and I remarked on the snug comfort of

the contoured bucket seats that cradled the back, hips and legs.

The clutch, brake and gas pedals are eye-catching aluminum, featuring drilled holes filled with rubber grips (nice race car imitation). Another surprise found in this model is the Momo leather-wrapped steering wheel, an item more apt to be found in high-priced sports cars.

Window dressing may draw a performance enthusiast to the Impreza WRX, but turbo power is the

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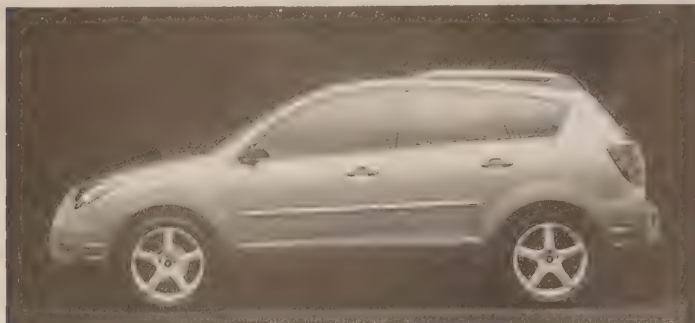
## GREENEST 2001 VEHICLES

The Honda Insight and natural gas powered Honda Civic GX tied as the "Greenest Vehicles for 2001" as chosen by the American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy. Green Scores are based on emissions levels, and fuel-economy tests on a scale of zero to 100. The Civic and Insight both scored 53.

## WHAT'S IN A NAME?

In South America, sales for Chevrolet's now-retired Nova were never successful due to a language barrier.

In Spanish, the words "no va" mean "no go." Ford sales also suffer in Latin American countries where the word Ford is viewed as an acronym meaning "Fix Or Repair Daily." The same dilemma applied to Fiat, which translates into "Fix It Again Tony."



MOTOR MATTERS

PONTIAC VIBE offers a large interior in a car disguised as a compact and sports-car features.

## Keane

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real magnet behind this 2002 all-wheel drive sedan. This little car is ready for fast moves. Right out of first gear, the WRX feels like it's going 50 mph.

Subaru's 2.0-liter horizontally opposed four-cylinder turbocharged engine puts out 227 horsepower at

6,000 rpm and 217 lb.-ft. of torque at 4,000 rpm.

While I respected the power behind this forceful turbo engine, I wasn't so enthused with the five-speed manual transmission shifter.

Some drivers prefer tough, notchy moves when shifting through the gears, but I'm not a big fan of this tooling.

The gear ratios have been adjusted on the WRX for precise shift-

ing. I never got used to the "kick back" to my hand the shifter knob would deliver every time I accelerated or decelerated. It seemed to me the shifter knob was a little too active in its casing.

When I asked Subaru about the active shifter, I was told this feedback is not typical, and that my test-drive vehicle possibly had a bad engine mount. The 2002 Impreza WRX is available with a four-speed elec-

## Drive

FROM PAGE D1

■ Ample repertoire of responses. It is said that if the only tool you have is a hammer, you tend to look upon the world as a nail. That philosophy is limiting. Similarly, many drivers have only one reaction to an emergency: Brake! Yet braking is often counter-indicated. In skids, braking is usually the last thing you want to do. In some situations the accelerator is a driver's best friend.

■ Proper choices. So we've seen that a driver wants to have the flexibility of many choices in responding to what happens. Next comes the ability to match the response to the circumstance. At home, I have an abundance of tools, but if what I have in my hand is a screwdriver and I discover something that needs hammering, do I go get the hammer? Too often I beat at the thing with the handle of the screwdriver. Even if it works, it never works well, and the scared handles of my screwdrivers announce my deficiencies. Choices are useful only if you can, in a timely fashion, select the right one most appropriate for the immediate task. Learning from experts and from experience can help you here.

■ Appropriate motor skills. Knowing what to do is not actually doing it. A driver must have the

skills to execute the maneuvers required — the hand-foot-eye coordination, the feedback mechanism to refine actions.

■ Timely execution. So you immediately size up a situation, you know which of many possibilities is the best for this moment and you know how to do it. Now comes timing. Timing is everything. If you are late in catching an incipient skid, never mind how cool you look with your counter steering and your feet dancing on the pedals like a honky-tonk piano player. You're late and you're in trouble.

So there are six points of being a good driver. What can someone do to shore up any weaknesses? First: Drive with awareness. Too many drivers are on autopilot. They're involved with talk radio or music CDs, with other passengers or their cell phone. Or they're still at the meeting they just left or the

lunch date they are. Driving is all too easy. It's so ordinary. And the driver is unprepared. It's hard to force attention on it. So ordinary. Try instead to find something of interest in the scene and allow your attention to be drawn there.

■ Pose questions. Will that car pass right or left? Will the light change before I reach the intersection sign? Second, that practice makes perfect: you are practicing the non-think about reaction. Read books. Find a high performance driving school. Not only can it be fun, you can learn. And you practice the non-think about reaction.

Here are two examples: Bob Bondurant 800-Skip Barber 800-2 find these and many more on the internet. Ask your son.

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VEHICLE TYPE	5-passenger AWD subcompact sedan
BASE PRICE	\$23,995 (as tested: \$24,520)
ENGINE TYPE	16-valve DOHC turbo four-cylinder w/MFI
DISPLACEMENT	2.0-liter
HORSEPOWER (net)	227 at 6000 rpm
TORQUE (lb.-ft.)	217 at 4000 rpm
TRANSMISSION	5-speed manual
WHEELBASE	99 in. 2514 mm
TREAD (front/rear)	58/58 in. 1473/1473 mm
OVERALL LENGTH	173 in. 4394 mm
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# 1947 Ford pickup truck finally gets the rest it deserves

"As a kid I thought they were ugly," Gene Welch said with all the wisdom most youths possess. He's talking about the fat-fendered, post-World War II Ford pickup trucks.

He grew up on farms in the Shenandoah Valley, so he saw plenty of those Fords.

By 1990, Welch decided to get a Ford pickup, but since he is fond of flathead Ford V-8 engines, he had to go back to the mid-1950s or beyond.

After a few years of searching, he found a 1947 Ford 1/2-ton pickup in rural Virginia. It was offered for sale by the original owner.

Evidently, the original owner had used the truck on his farm where, in the words of Welch, "It was treated rough."

Back in the 1970s, the truck must have been ailing, so the owner gave the engine an overhaul. For whatever reason, the truck was hardly driven after the overhaul.

In fact, it was parked for 20 years in a barn until Welch rescued it in April 1994.

The pickup was filled with hay and mice.

"It was a mess. The seat was missing and a wagon hitch had been welded onto the rear," Welch said.

In spite of all its shortcomings, Welch still found charm in the old truck.

He hauled it to his Virginia home, parking it for six months while he decided what to do. Not knowing that he wouldn't finish the restoration project until May 1997, he plunged ahead.

The pickup bed was barely hanging on, so Welch purchased a new one from a reproduction outfit. Then he had to locate oak flooring for the bed.

Eight oak slats, separated by painted steel ribs, form the floor.

All of the 1947 Ford pickups came from the factory wearing the same coat of Greenfield green, with the 15-tooth waterfall grille painted Tacoma cream.

Each sold for about \$1,600.

The early 1947-model trucks had painted stanchions for the outside mirrors, while the late models of that

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year had chrome-plated mirror stanchions.

Holes in the front fenders showed where front and rear truck signal indicator lights were once mounted.

Since he wanted signal indicators anyway as a concession to modern-day traffic, Welch used the same holes to mount 1947-era truck signal indicator lights.

The original 6.50x16-inch six-ply tires have been replaced with four-ply tires, which make for a smoother, more comfortable carlike ride.

Besides, the only cargo Welch plans to haul in his refurbished truck is air.

Inside the cab, Welch has replaced the green cardboard headliner with a like piece.

The metal dashboard and metal door panels are painted the same color as the exterior of the truck.

Seen through the two-spoke steering wheel is the 100-mph speedometer.

Unusual for a truck of that era is the second windshield wiper. Each wiper has a separate operating switch.

All the safety glass in the cab has been replaced to enhance the appearance.

Welch reports highway gas mileage of about 16 miles per gallon, not bad for a truck of that era.

Unlike the Ford cars of the immediate postwar era, Welch's truck is equipped with a leaf spring at each corner.

The 1947 pickup likes to run about 45 to 50 mph, Welch reports. Any more than that and it's straining.

With 68,000 miles on the odometer his truck has endured years of hard work and then years of neglect followed by a 20-year hibernation.

It seems to have earned the golden years of retirement Welch has provided.

If you have an antique car of interest to "Classic Classics" readers,



MOTOR MATTERS

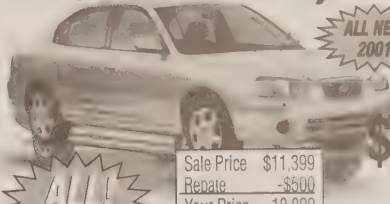
'47 FORD 1/2-TON PICKUPS were mounted with flathead V-8 engines. They sport a metal dashboard and door panels, a two-spoke steering wheel, leaf springs at each corner, separate controls for two windshield wipers and oak flooring in the bed.

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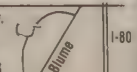
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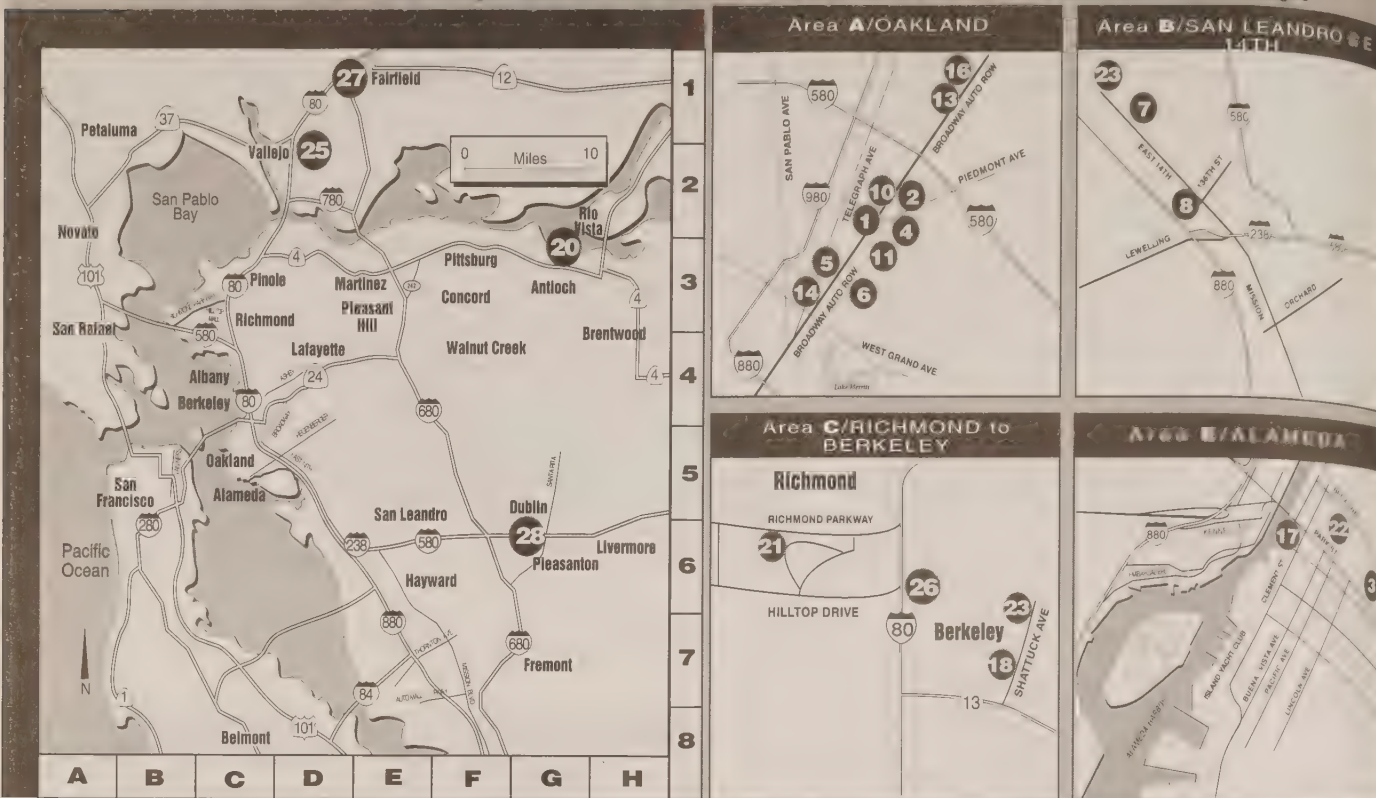
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BY MICHAEL CHIARELLO

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Michael Chiarello, founding chef and partner of Tra Vigne restaurant in California's Napa Valley, comes from a big southern Italian family, where growing, preparing and enjoying food was at the center of everything, especially at Easter. Chiarello has expanded on that family heritage by creating his own Easter rituals centered around seasonal living — combined with his professional interest in artfully served meals and fresh produce.

One of Chiarello's favorite Easter activities is gathering friends and family to dye Easter eggs naturally.

Dyes from simple kitchen ingredients produce eggs in surprising variations of soft, subtle hues, as a change from the more commonly seen bright, pastel colors.

You can use almost anything edible in your kitchen to color eggs, Chiarello says.

Try beets for beige to bright pink eggs; coarsely chopped red cabbage for pale to royal blue; blueberries for lavender shades; brewed coffee for deep mocha color; cranberries for rose pink; turmeric for bright orange; or yellow onion skins with black pepper to produce beige to mauve tones.

Use 2 to 4 cups of the ingredient per pot, more for onion skins (about 4 to 6 cups) and less for spices like turmeric (start with about 1 tablespoon).

A warning: Use just one ingredient per batch to avoid muddy colors.

### Instructions:

■ Place eggs in a deep, non-reactive saucepan. Add your coloring ingredient, then cover with a quart of cold water and 2 tablespoons of white vinegar to fix the dye.

■ Gently simmer the eggs for 20 minutes or up to 3 hours, until you like the color.

■ For a beautifully delicate, shattered look, remove a few eggs and gently roll each in a soft towel. Return eggs to the pot for another half-hour.

■ You can eat the eggs so long as you haven't used anything toxic in the dye. If you don't eat them right away, you can store them, unshelled and with uncracked shells, in the refrigerator for 2 to 3 weeks.

Michael Chiarello is author of "The Tra Vigne Cookbook: Seasons in the California Wine Country" (Chronicle, 1999) and host of the national public television series *Season by Season*. On the Web: [www.napastyle.com](http://www.napastyle.com).



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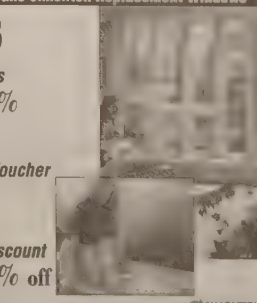
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# Lidia's Italian table: A festive bread for Easter

BY LIDIA MATTICCHIO  
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Most of the Christian Mediterranean cultures have some form of rich, festive egg bread that they prepare for the Holy Week before Easter. This is the time when "pinza" were made at our house. It is a tradition that is still strong in the area near Venice today.

Making good pinza requires some understanding of leavening and bread making, which I have described below. It also requires patience, because the dough requires several long risings.

Serve slices of pinza on a festive table or with espresso, tea or cafe latte. For a richer dessert, top with whipped cream or mascarpone and berries. The loaves keep well for one week at room temperature if sealed in plastic wrap or six to eight weeks in the freezer.

I remember my grandmother would treat the pinza like a baby, setting it on a warm wooden board covered with layers of kitchen towels, topped with a blanket and then placed on top of the bed to rise, out of the draft.

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## Pinza

1 1/2 cups golden raisins  
1/2 cup dark rum  
1 cup of milk  
1 cup granulated sugar plus 2 tablespoons  
4 (3/5-ounce) cakes fresh yeast, crumbled, or 4 (1-ounce) packages instant dry yeast  
9 cups unbleached all-purpose flour, sifted  
3 large eggs, at room temperature  
6 large egg yolks, at room temperature  
1/2 cup unsalted butter, at room temperature, plus more for the bowl of dough  
1/2 cup Vin Santo or other sweet white wine  
Grated zest of 2 large lemons  
Grated zest of 1 orange  
1 1/2 teaspoons salt

2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract  
2 tablespoons water

Combine raisins with rum in a small bowl and toss to mix. Let soak, tossing occasionally, while preparing the bread.

In a medium-size saucepan, heat milk over medium heat to lukewarm. Pour the milk into a large bowl and add 1/2 cup of the sugar and the yeast. Stir until dissolved. Add 1 cup of the flour and stir until mixture is smooth. Cover the bowl with a kitchen towel and let rise in a warm, draft-free place until frothy. (If it doesn't get frothy, you will have to start again with fresh yeast.)

Stir dough with a fork to deflate it, then let it rise and froth two more times, stirring it down thoroughly and covering it again after each time. Depending on the environment, these three risings can take from 20 minutes to 45 minutes each.

In the bowl of a heavy-duty electric mixer fitted with the paddle attachment, whip 2 of the whole eggs, 2 of the yolks, and the remaining 1/2 cup of sugar together at medium speed until foamy and pale yellow. Add 1/4 cup of the butter, wine, zests, salt and vanilla. Beat until small pieces of butter remain. Scrape yeast mixture into the mixer bowl and beat until blended.

Change to the dough hook attachment of the mixer and reduce the speed to low. Add 5 cups of the remaining flour, 1 cup at a time, beating until mixture forms a sticky dough. Wait for each cup of flour to be incorporated before adding the next and stop the machine occasionally to scrape any unmixed ingredients from the sides and bottom of the bowl into the dough. The dough will be quite sticky; form it into a rough ball, clean the sides of the bowl, and cover the bowl with a kitchen towel. Let the dough rise in a warm, draft-free place until doubled in bulk, 1 to 2 hours.

Return the bowl of dough to the mixer fitted with the dough hook. Mix the dough at the medium-low speed until deflated. Add the remaining egg yolks and



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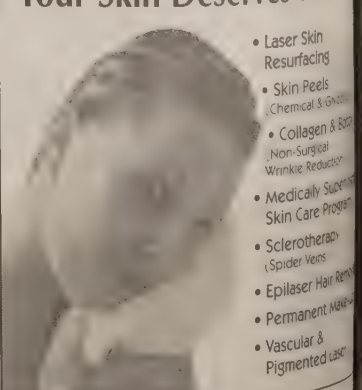
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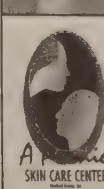
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# Chicken a la Queens' vanishes

By RICHARD PYLE  
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NEW YORK — The sky has been on William Grimes' backyard, and the yolk's on him. The chicken that landed in his backyard and pecked its way to overnight fame has disappeared, leaving Grimes with a heavy heart and 50 pounds of leftover chicken.

Did it fly the coop? Was it the victim of, er, fowl play?

"I have no idea what happened to it," Grimes said in a telephone interview Wednesday from his desk at The New York Times. "I woke up in the morning and it was gone. I'm getting over it, but I miss it more than I would have thought."

When the chicken first showed up last month, it was like henna from heaven for Grimes. From his bully pulpit as chief restaurant reviewer for The Times, he wrote two stories about the bird, and was deluged with calls and letters of advice from a nation seemingly crammed from cote to cote with poultry experts. He also suddenly had his own egg supply, and a book contract — not, presumably, for chicken feed.

The chicken, tentatively named Mylan, became both media star and cock of the walk, terrorizing the backyard's resident tomcats by day and roosting in a pine tree at night. It posed for pictures and even laid an egg on cue for an Associated Press photographer.

Then, a week ago, the shiny blue-black hen vanished as mysteriously as it had appeared, leaving only a single feather as evidence that it had ever existed, and was not just a flight of fancy, a figment of Grimes' imagination.

There were no bones or other evidence that the tyrannized tomcats had suddenly rediscovered their place in the Darwinian pecking order and turned the chicken into a paw-lickin' feast.

Given the many perils of the



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**FAMOUS EGG-LAYER MISSING:** Has she flown the coop? Was fowl play involved?

urban jungle, the Grimeses tried to mount a chicken recoup. Nancy scanned their Astoria, Queens, neighborhood with binoculars, looking in vain for a sign of the wayward bird. William considered tacking reward posters on lampposts, but abandoned the idea after envisioning his block being overrun by hordes of people, each with "an identical black chicken tucked under his arm."

Grimes refuses to concede that nocturnal thieves could sneak into his yard and steal a chicken with nary a peep in the city that never sleeps.

Moreover, he said, "I'm one of those innocents who don't think people would do something like that. Certainly, there's been no

ransom call." Among his flock of poultry pen-pals, however, about half believe the hen was heisted. "They tell me that chickens are a lot easier to pick up at night, when they're apparently in some sort of hypnotic state," Grimes said. "I defy you to catch a chicken during the day."

After a week with no clues to the fate of "chicken a la Queens," as he affectionately calls it, Grimes is "starting to turn the corner" in his bereavement, and readjusting to life as it was B.C. — eggs from the store and chicken on a plate.

Perhaps the surest sign that his hen is history: One of the cats now sleeps in the empty nest.

## Bread

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1/4 cup butter and beat until incorporated. Gradually add about 2 cups of the flour to form a firm but slightly sticky dough, stopping the mixer occasionally to scrape any unmixed ingredients from the sides and bottom of the bowl into the dough.

Add the raisins and rum and mix until incorporated. The dough will be quite wet and sticky at this point.

Turn the dough out onto a well-floured surface.

Knead the dough, adding as much of the remaining flour as necessary until the dough is smooth, soft, and only very slightly sticky.

Place the dough in a large, lightly buttered bowl and turn the dough to butter all sides of it.

Cover the bowl with a kitchen towel and set the dough to rise in a warm, draft-free place until doubled in bulk, 1 1/2 to 2 hours.

Turn the risen dough out onto the floured work surface and knead until deflated.

Cut the dough in three equal pieces and knead each into a ball, gathering and pinching the seam side of the dough together to form as smooth a ball as possible.

Line two baking sheets with parchment paper. Place two of the loaves on one of the baking sheets, leaving space between to rise. Place the third loaf on the other baking sheet.

With a pair of kitchen scissors, make three 1 1/2-inch-deep, 3-inch-

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long intersecting cuts that meet at the center to form a six-pointed star pattern on the rounded top of each loaf. The cuts should be quite deep — at least halfway through the loaf.

Cover the loaves lightly with kitchen towels and let rise in a warm, draft-free place until doubled in bulk, 1 to 2 hours.

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Bake the bread for 35 minutes. Whisk the remaining whole egg with remaining 2 tablespoons sugar and the water until sugar is dissolved.

Brush pinza with egg mixture, return to oven, and continue baking until deep golden brown and a knife inserted into the center of the loaves comes out clean, about another 20 minutes.

Cool the pinza completely on a wire rack before slicing. Makes 3 loaves.

**To make a puppa for the kids:** Hard-boil and color as many eggs as you need, since only one is used per each puppa.

Using the twice-risen dough you would have used to make one of the loaves in recipe above, take a small piece of dough and make two shoestring cordons 1/4 inch wide

and 4 inches long. Make 2 more cordons of the dough: one 16 inches long by 1 inch round and the other one 12 inches long by 1 inch round.

Take the longer one, set it on a lined baking sheet making a U shape, leaving a 2 1/2-inch space in between, and attach the remaining cordon at the crest of the U. You should have 3 parallel cordons of dough.

Nestle the colored egg in the center of the U and begin braiding loosely the three dough cordons.

Pinch the ends of the braid well together.

Take the shoestring cordons and cross the egg, attaching them to the main dough.

Let raise again until approximately doubled in size and bake in preheated oven for 20 minutes.

Proceed to brush with egg mixture as above and bake for an additional 15 minutes.

Let cool on a rack.

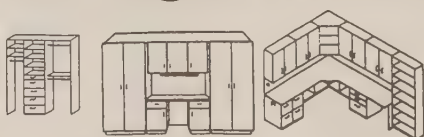
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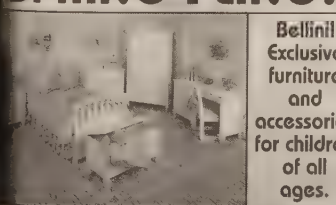
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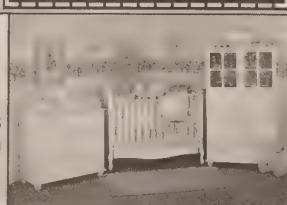
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# Eggstra! Eggstra!

BY SUSAN SELASKY  
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

Some of today's breakfast recipes use a combination of egg whites and whole eggs, which help reduce fat and cholesterol in the dish. But what can you do with the leftover yolks? Here are a few ideas from the American Egg Board:

For refrigerator storage, place whole, intact yolks in a container and cover with some water to prevent them from drying out. Yolks will keep 2 days in a tightly sealed container. Pour off the water before using.

Hard cook the whole yolks by placing them in a saucepan and covering with 1-inch of water. Bring water to a rapid boil, cover, remove from heat and let sit for 15 minutes. Drain. You can store the yolks another 4-5 days in the refrigerator or freeze up to one year.

Freezing uncooked yolks tends to make them gummy. To avoid that, beat in 1/2 teaspoon of salt or 1 1/2 teaspoons sugar or corn syrup for every 1/4 cup of egg yolk, about 4 large yolks. Label and freeze up to one year. Thaw in the refrigerator (not in the microwave) and use 1 tablespoon of the liquid yolk for each 1 whole egg yolk in recipes. Use the yolks with the salt for sauce and savory recipes, and the yolks with the sugar for desserts, quick breads and sweets.

Use the extra yolks in quiche and scrambled egg recipes; they'll be richer in taste. Yolks are the emulsifier needed for traditional hollandaise and bearnaise sauces. Use those whole hard-cooked yolks to crumble on salads. Or try our recipe for Creme Brulee; it's silky rich.

## Creme Brulee

1 cup half-and-half  
1 cup 2-percent milk  
6 large egg yolks  
1/2 cup sugar  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

1 tablespoon Kahlua, optional  
About 1 quart hot water  
Topping:  
1/4 cup brown sugar  
2 teaspoons water  
Preheat the oven to 300 degrees.

In a medium saucepan, heat the half-and-half and milk over medium heat just until tiny bubbles form around the edges. Meanwhile, in a large mixing bowl whisk together the egg yolks and sugar until the mixture is almost a pale yellow color. Add the vanilla and Kahlua. Slowly pour the heated half-and-half mixture into the egg mixture. Mix until thoroughly combined.

Evenly divide the mixture between 8 (6-ounce) ramekins or custard cups. Place the ramekins in a large baking dish and pour enough hot water to reach at least halfway up the sides of the ramekins.

Bake for 1 hour or until the custard is set, but still a little loose in the center. Remove from oven. Remove ramekins from the water and set on a wire rack to cool. Refrigerate for at least 1 hour in the refrigerator.

At serving time, mix together the brown sugar and water. Microwave at high power for 40 seconds. Remove and stir to dissolve the sugar. Microwave another 40-60 seconds or until the mixture becomes pourable. It will be very hot.

Pour a small amount on top of each cooled creme brulee, tilting the ramekin to spread the melted sugar evenly. Serve.

Makes 8.

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# Feeding the bachelor

BY ERIC TUROWSKI  
STAFF WRITER

The situation is this: our subject bought a house two years ago with a friend. Initially reluctant to do so, he was convinced when a deal was struck that his house mate would do all the grocery shopping and cook all dinners.

All other meals were to be catch as catch can. He need only pay for his part of the groceries, roughly \$250 a month.

Considering this a great deal, as this house mate cooked on a professional level, he went for it.

The dilemma arose when our subject's house mate started her own business. With her so busy, dinner time was pushed back a few hours.

Partially out of sympathy for the house mate, and partly because he didn't want to eat dinner as a midnight snack, our subject offered to take it upon himself to do his own shopping and his own cooking.

He is not very much of a cook, and breaking down \$250 a month left him with a budget of \$8.33 per dinner. Pizza delivery every night was out of the question, as was Chinese take out (his former grazing pastures).

Rice, friends and coworkers recommended, and seasonable fruits and vegetables could be purchased cheaply.

But our subject is completely unfamiliar with cooking methods (whisk and fold bring laundry to mind, not recipes).

To create meals, his strategy is one of construction — to assemble assorted easy-to-make items into single dishes.

Currently, this amounts to the following:

Store-roasted chicken, \$6.99; caffeinated cola beverage, \$1.49; ramen (chicken flavored) four for a dollar (on sale); some old peas in the freezer nobody wanted, free; hot-dogs \$3.50 (on sale); process cheese food, individual slices, \$3.30. For \$16.28, he has food for four days (well under budget).

Unfortunately, with the exception of hot-dogs (and well he knows that individually wrapped slices of process cheese food melts much easier than real cheese on a hot-dog), he has reached the extent of his cooking ability and imagination.

He may be willing to try a boxed meat-extender product, as they come with extensive instructions.

To aid our subject, Shopping Plus is looking for the best recipes for "assembled meals," that is, complete dishes that can quickly be put together with a minimum of cooking, and more importantly, a total lack of experience, with the total cost of the ingredients not to exceed \$8.33.

Detailed instructions for cooking and preparation are a must in this case.

For the amusement of our readers, we may also publish the dishes our subject, through lack of experience, ends up feeding to the cat.

Send Assembled Meals Recipes to: Eric Turowski/Special Sections, Contra Costa Times, 2640 Shadelands Dr., Walnut Creek, CA 94598 or e-mail them to [eturowski@contracostatimes.com](mailto:eturowski@contracostatimes.com).

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You can't get much more ancient than eggs when it comes to

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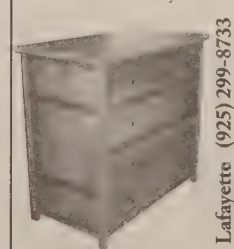
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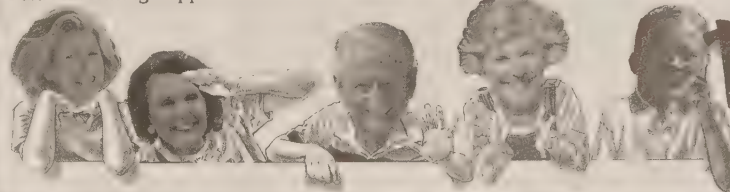


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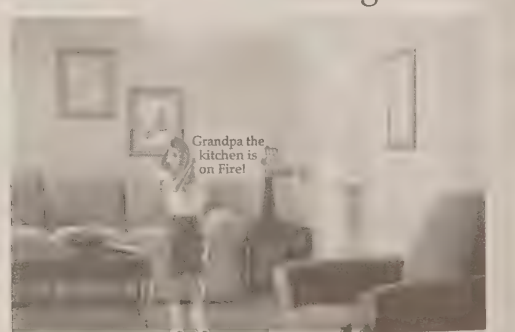
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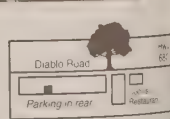
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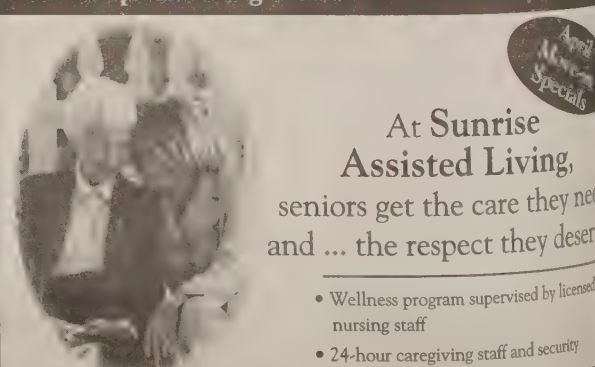
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One dish I truly enjoy on a spring or summer day is a hard-boiled egg on a cool, refreshing salad. And boy, do we ever need some ideas on how to use up all those leftover eggs — red, blue or whatever.

I start my boiled eggs in a small pot of cold water. I add a little touch of white vinegar to the water — this helps keep the yolk as yellow as possible. I then put the pot of water on high heat and bring it to a boil. Twelve minutes from the time the water begins to boil and the eggs will be done. I put the cooked eggs under cold running water until cool and then peel off the shell.

While the eggs are cooking, I whip up some gorgonzola dressing. I love to use butter lettuce because it's easy to take the leaves apart, dress them and then reassemble the leaves to look exactly like a whole head.

My gorgonzola dressing tastes complex but it is actually as simple

as they come. In a blender, I pour in a couple tablespoons of red wine vinegar, a generous teaspoon of Dijon mustard, a dash of salt and black pepper, a clove of peeled garlic, a large pinch of capers, and about a quarter cup each of sour cream, buttermilk, light vegetable oil and gorgonzola cheese.

I blend it smooth, and taste to see if it needs more vinegar or oil to achieve a pleasant tang. I pour the dressing into a bowl, then crumble in extra gorgonzola to make it nice and chunky (and because I love bleu cheese). This salad is wonderful with crispy cubes of pancetta — an Italian bacon you can find at most supermarket delis. Just ask them to cut you a thick slice and then cut it into chunks. I crisp it up in a saute pan and kept it warm until I'm ready to dress the salad. You can substitute bacon if you're in a rush or can't find pancetta.

I toss my butter lettuce with the dressing, carefully reassemble the leaves and top with the pancetta. The final touch is the eggs. I shred them with a large-holed grater and sprinkle them over the salad. With the bacon, cheese and eggs, this salad is total comfort food.

Cat Cora is the executive chef at Postino in Lafayette.

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